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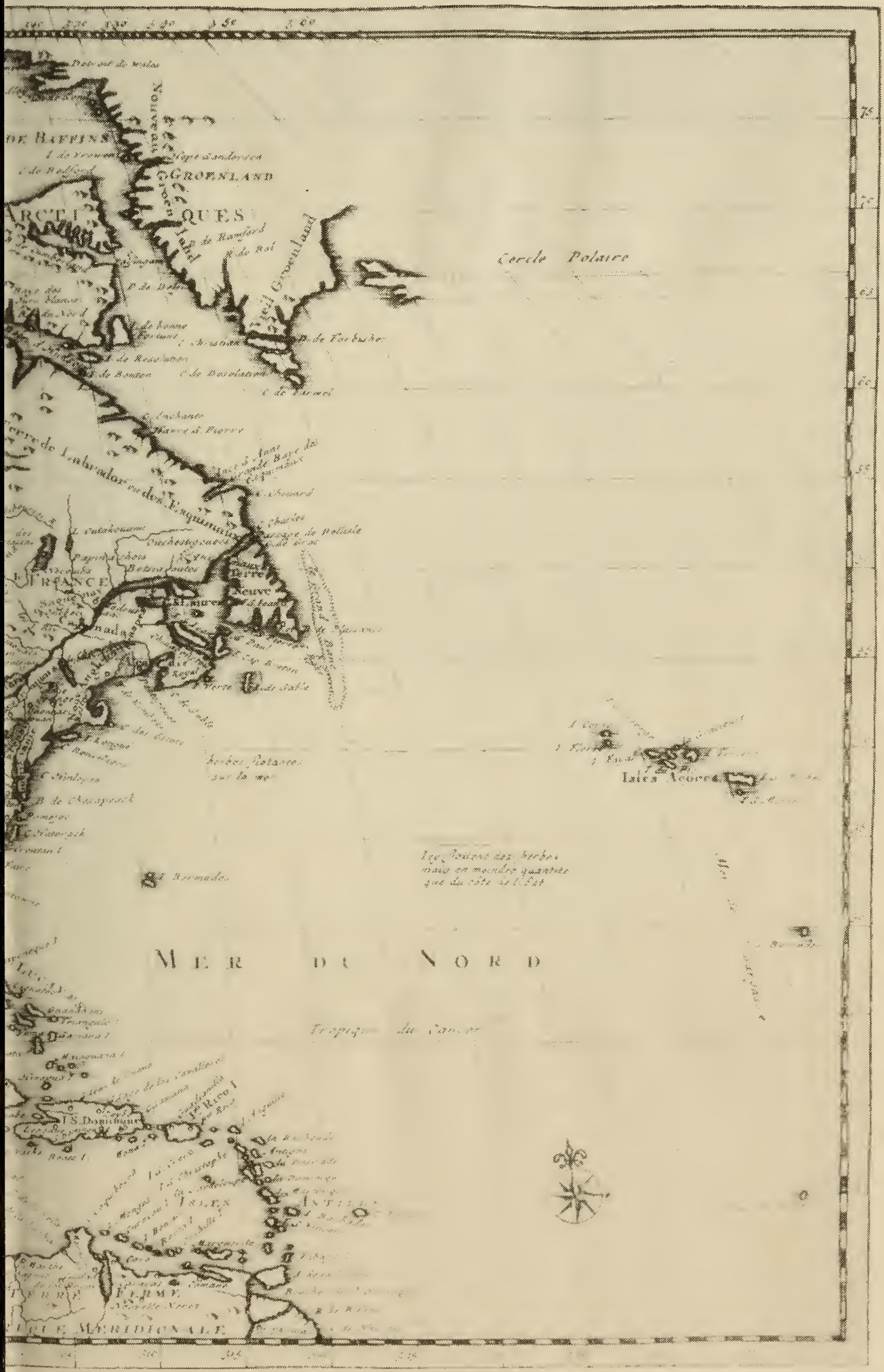

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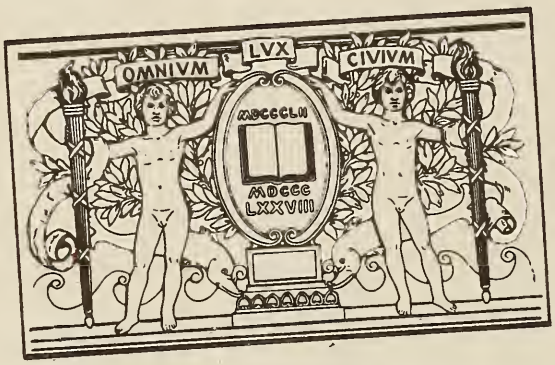

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THE FAMILY GROUP OF THE ENGAMCANAM-BENTL(E)Y ANCESTRAL-DESCENDANTS WITH ENCIPHERED DESCENT FOR **Be:**

INTRODUCTION

The Ampthill-Kingstown Bentl(e)y Roll
of the Known and Selected Descendants of
William Bentl(e)y, X.193., Be:F., of
Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England, and of
Kingstown, Rhode Island and Providence Plantations,
New England

GENEALOGICAL CLASSIFICATION OF THE KNOWN AND SELECTED DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y, X.193., PROGENITOR Be:F.

The Bentley Lines

Line I	**Be:Fa.**	Jane
Line II	**Be:FB.**	William
Line III	**Be:FC.**	James
Line IV	**Be:FD.**	Thomas, **IX.97.**
Subline IV.a.	**Be:FDa.**	Jane
Subline IV.b.	**Be:FDb.**	Mary
Subline IV.C.	**Be:FDC.**	William
Subline IV.D.	**Be:FDD.**	Benjamin, **VIII.49.**
Subsubline IV.DA.	**Be:FDDA.**	Caleb
Subsubline IV.DB.	**Be:FDDB.**	Joseph
Subsubline IV.DC.	**Be:FDDC.**	Thomas
Subsubline IV.DD.	**Be:FDDD.**	Samuel, **VII.25.**
Subsubline IV.DE.	**Be:FDDE.**	Benjamin
Subsubline IV.DF.	**Be:FDDF.**	Gideon
Subsubline IV.Dg.	**Be:FDDg.**	Ann(e) (?)
Subline IV.E.	**Be:FDE.**	Thomas
Line V	**Be:FE.**	Benjamin

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Bentley Mavericks

SOURCES OF EVIDENCE FOR THE BENTLEY FAMILY GROUP

THE SHIPPEE FAMILY GROUP

CHRONOLOGY FOR THE MATERNAL GRANDMOTHER OF SARAH SHIPPEE, **Sp:ADh.**, MARY (-----)[1] LONG LI(T)CHFIELD HOOPER, ANCESTOR X.200., AND HER ASSOCIATES

SOURCES OF EVIDENCE INTRODUCING THE SHIPPEE FAMILY GROUP

[1]Unknown maiden-surname

MAP OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RI Communities (1979)

P - Providence
W - Warwick
G - East Greenwich
E - Exeter
K - North Kingstown (Wickford)
N - Newport

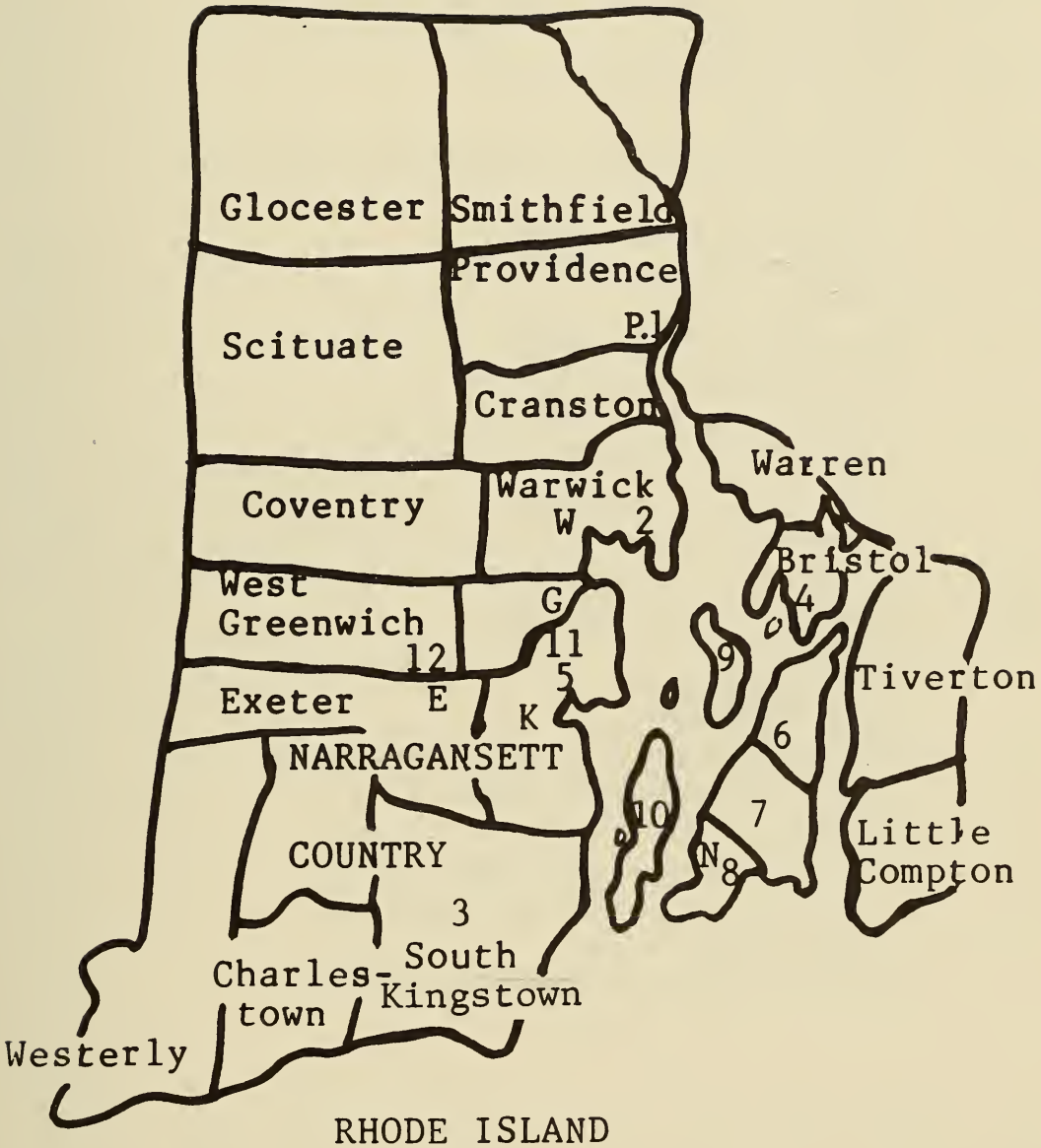
Selected Colonial Towns (1750)

Glocester
Scituate
Cranston
Warren
Bristol
Tiverton
South Kingstown
North Kingstown
Exeter
West Greenwich
East Greenwich
Warwick
Providence
Smithfield
Coventry
Portsmouth
Middletown
Newport
Little Compton
Westerly
Richmond
Charlestown

Note that New Shoreham, formerly Block Island, is **not** on the map.

Places of Historic-genealogical Importance

1. **Roger Williams' Spring** is located between North Main and Canal Streets. Providence was founded in 1636 and built up around this spring, which served as its first water supply.
2. Warwick (Shawomet) was settled by Samuel Gorton and others. Warwick was burned by the Indians in King Philip's War.
3. During King Philip's War, the Great Swamp Fight occurred in December of 1675.
4. King Philip, sachem Indian chieftain of the Wampanoag tribe and son of Massasoit, was killed in a swamp near Mount Hope on August 12, 1676.
5. Cocumscussoc was the location of the block house and Indian trading-post of **Richard Smith, Sr.,** the first white settler in the Narragansett country, 1637. He purchased a tract of Cocumscussoc from the Indians in 1641. The remains of forty colonial soldiers from the Great Swamp Fight, December 19, 1675, were laid to rest in a grave beside Smith's house. In a plea in the form of a petition written July 29, 1679, to **King Charles II** for responsible government in Kings Province, particularly the Narragansett Country, his son **Richard Smith, Jr.,** leader of the forty-two petitioners, gave the historic account regarding conditions there from the first settlement in 1637. **William Bently was a petitioner.**
6. Portsmouth, Town of
7. Middletown, Town of
8. Newport, Town of
9. Prudence Island
10. Jamestown, formerly Conanicut Island
11. Roger Williams' trading post
12. The Bentley Family Burial Ground is the resting place of Bentleys including **Spencer Bentley (Be:FDDAH.),** Caleb's son, b 1787, d 1811.



RHODE ISLAND
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PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

KEY

XII. (1) **William,** the Elstow, Bedfordshire, **Bentl(e)y,** and
(2) **Mary Goodwin.**

XI. (1) **John Bentl(e)y** of Ampthill and
(2) **Mary Betts.**

X. (1) Rhode Island Progenitor **William Bentl(e)y Be:F.)** and
(2) **Sarah** (-----) (-----).

IX. (1) **Thomas Bentl(e)y (Be:FD.),**
(2) **Elizabeth "Chamberland,"** and
(3) Mary Reynolds.

VIII. (1) **Benjamin Bentl(e)y (Be:FDD.)** and
(2) **Sarah Shippee, Samuel's dtr.**

VII. **(1) Caleb Bentley (Be:FDDA.)** and (2) Leah;
(3) **Samuel Bentley (Be:FDDD.)** and (4) anonymous spouse.

VI. (1) William Bentley **(Be:FDDAC.)** and wives (2 and 3);
(4) **Reuben Bentley (Be:FDDDA.)** and wife (5) **Polly** (-----).

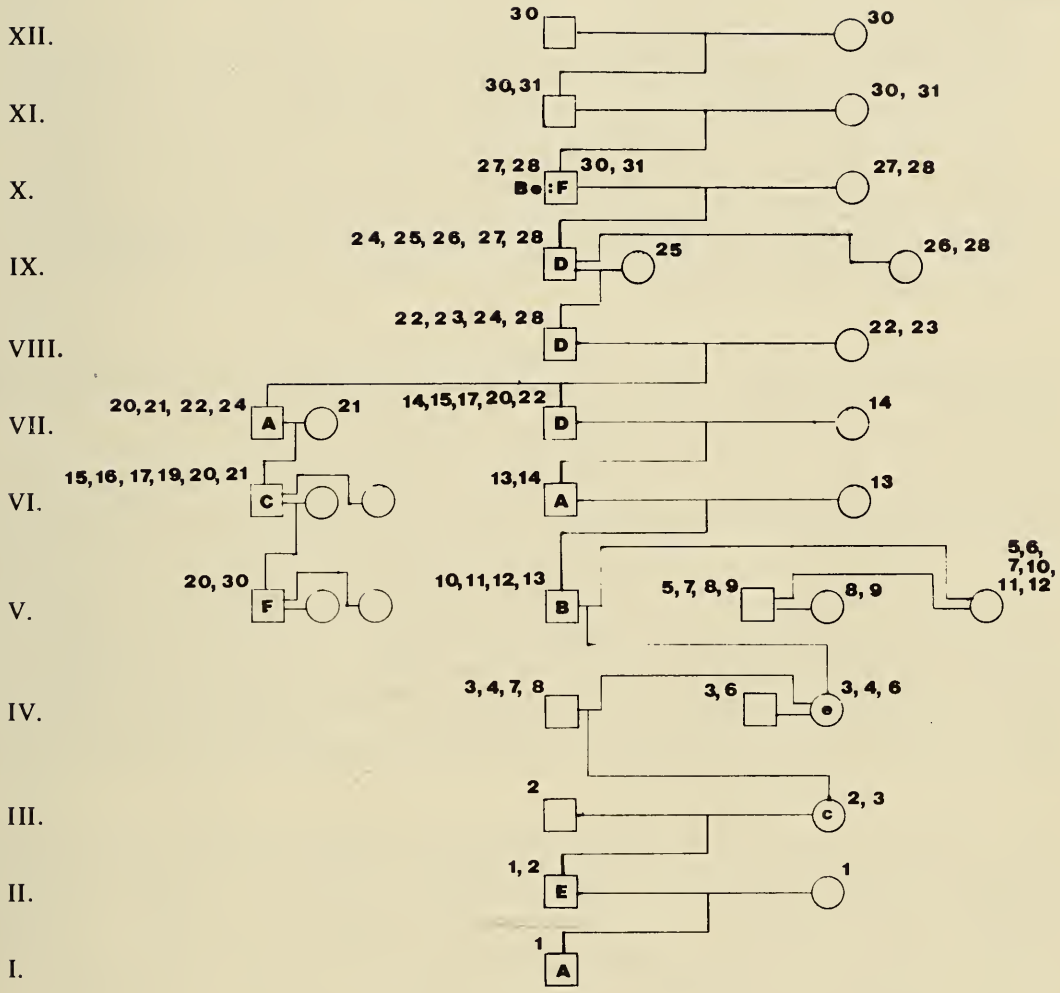
V. (1) Randall Spencer Bentley **(Be:FDDACF.)** and wives (2 and 3);
(4) **Miron Bentley (Be:FDDDAB.),**
(5) **William Sarles,**
(6) **Eunice Sharrard,** and
(7) **Hannah Badgerow.**

IV. **(1) John Sarles** and (2) James Winmill, husbands of
(3) **Almira Bentley (Be:FDDDABe.).**

III. (1) **John Stewart** and
(2) **Sarah Elizabeth Sarles (Be:FDDDABec.).**

II. (1) **Ralph John Stewart (Be:FDDDABecE.)** and
(2) **Vinnie Mercedes Gjere.**

I. **(1) Cameron Ralph Stewart (Be:FDDDABecEA.).**



BENTL(E)Y CONNECTIONS ESTABLISHED IN 1978 FROM LONG BEACH, CA, ON THE PACIFIC OCEAN TO MN TO ND TO THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO TO NY TO RI ACROSS THE ATLANTIC OCEAN TO AMPTHILL, BEDFORDSHIRE, ENGLAND.

WAS WILLIAM BENTLEY OF KINGSTOWN THE SAME WILLIAM CHRISTENED IN 1640?

Descendant Claims That the Rhode Island Bentl(e)y Progenitor of Thousands of Americans and Canadians Came From Bedfordshire

DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE LINKING OFFSPRING WITH PARENTS GENERATION AFTER GENERATION FROM CAMERON RALPH STEWART OF LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA, IN 1978, TO HIS SEVENTH-GREAT GRANDFATHER WILLIAM BENTLEY WHO LIVED IN KINGS TOWN, LATER KNOWN AS NORTH KINGS TOWN, RHODE ISLAND, IN THE LATTER PART OF THE 17TH AND THE EARLY PART OF THE 18TH CENTURIES

[1]Cameron Ralph Stewart, son of Ralph John Stewart and Vinnie Mercedes Gjere; **Birth Certificate** Registration Numbers: State 3469-27 (MN) and Brown County 103-27, New Ulm, MN, b 5.31.1927.

[2]Ralph John Stewart, son of John Stewart and Sarah Elizabeth Sarles; **Delayed Birth Certificate** Registration, ND, Local Registrar's Number 722, filed 12.11.1951; b 3.24.1896, baptized "John Ralph Stewart;" documents as supporting evidence include (1) his own **notarized affidavit;** (2) **baptismal record** of 11.10.1900; (3) **school record** of 8.10.1910; (4) **affidavit** of Thomas McArthur, Drayton, ND, 12.6.1951, since 1890 a friend and neighbor of Ralph's father John's family; and (5) family **Bible transcription-record** of Ralph's mother Sarah Elizabeth Sarles (also had name of "Winmill" as the step-daughter of James Winmill).

[3]Sarah Elizabeth Sarles, dtr of John Sarles and Almira Bentley, and step-dtr of James Winmill; **"Deed of Land."** Registry Office for Ontario County, Deed Book 212 for Whitby Twp, Instrument No. 2433, 11.16.1880: "Almira Winmill, widow of the late John Sarles late of the Township of Whitby yeoman deceased, now the wife of James Winmill . . . Almeda Jane Sarles.. . . Frederick James Sarles . . . and Sarah Elizabeth Sarles . . . all of the said Township of West Wawanosh (Huron Co., Ontario, Canada), and children (3) and only heirs-at-law of the said late John Sarles."

[4]Almira Bentley, wife of John Sarles; **The Home District Marriage Registers, 1831—1857,** Vol. 3, p 147: "John Sorrells, Almiria Bentley, m 17 September 1850 in Pickering, by banns, by Rev. Robert Barrie; witnesses W'm and Mary Hubbard." This record is located in the Ontario Provincial Archives, Toronto.

[5]Hannah Badgerow Bentley, wife of William Sarles, Jr.; **The Home District Marriage Registers, 1831—1857,** Vol. 2, p 220: "Sarles, William, Whitby, marr. October 13, 1845, Pickering, to Hannah Bentley, Pickering; witnesses: William Bentley and Elizabeth Bentley; minister, Rev. Israel Marsh,

Baptist, Whitby. This record is located in the Ontario Provincial Archives, Toronto.

[6]Almira Bentley Sarles, wife of James Winmill; **Ontario County Marriage Register, 1858—1869,** Vol. 1, p 139, "James Windmill, age 26, of Whitby, b Quebec, son of Thomas Windmill and Sarah Fossil, and Almira Bentley Sarles, age 25, of Whitby, b Pickering, dtr of Miron Bentley and Hannah Badgerow, m by Thomas Sharp, Ashburn, on January 17, 1861; witnesses, John Lee of Whitby, Alexander Wilson of Whitby." Rec. loc.: . . . . . Info. from searcher-researcher William Britnell of Mississauga, Ontario.

[7]William Sarles, Jr., father of John Sarles and husband of Hannah; **Last Will and Testament** on file in the Office of the Surrogate Court, Durham Region, 605 Rossland Road E., Whitby, Ontario County, Ontario, Canada; Ontario Co. Will No. 90, registered for probate 7.15.1857.

[8]John Sarles, son of William Sarles, Jr., and Eunice Sharrard; Hubbell Cemetery located between Myrtle and Ashburn in Whitby Twp., Ontario Co., Ontario, Canada; **Tombstone inscriptions:** "Eunice, wife of William Sarles who died 24 April, 1845: Aged 58 years." "William Searles, died April 9, 1857: AE. 69 y'rs." "John Sarles, Died Aug. 31, 1860; AE 30 Y's 6 M 16 d."

[9]William Sarles, Jr., husband of Eunice Sharrard, William's dtr. **Canada Land** RG1, L3, Vol. 456, **Petition** of Eunice Searlls, 526 Bundle 10, Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa, Canada: "Eunice Searlls . . . wife of William Searlls, Jun., and daughter of William Sharrard, an U. E. Loyalist . . ." dated 9 June 1808.

[10]Myron Bentley, husband of Hannah Badgerow; Clark, A. J., "Rev. William Jenkins of Richmond Hill," **The Papers and Records of the Ontario Historical Society,** Toronto, 1930; Jenkins, William, Rev., **Marriage Register, 1819—1843, Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church;** copies available for examination at the Provincial Archives of Ontario, Toronto, and at the Flint Main Library, Flint, MI. Page 24 of the Register: Proclaimed in Markham, Jan. 7, 1823, "Merum Bentley" and "Hannah Badgerow," married; witnesses Philip Badgerow and Truman Pennock (No. 79).

[11]Myron (Miron) Bentley, husband of Hannah and father of Almira. **Last Will and Testament,** Surrogate Court, Co. of York, Letters of Probate, registered in Book 7, folio 188, page 17517, Twp. of Pickering, Ontario Co., recorded 5.30.1866, Pickering.

[12]Miron Bentley, husband of Hannah. **Tombstone inscriptions** in the Burial Ground of the Christian Meeting House, Brougham, Ontario (also known as the Brougham Cemetery): Miron Bentley d January 19, 1844, at the age of 45 years; his wife Hannah (by her first of two marriages) d January 10, 1885, aged 82 years and 19 days.

[13]Miron Bentley, son of Reuben Bentley and Polly (-----). **Berczy Census Report of 1804 for Markham Township,** Ontario County; reference M.G. 23, HII, 6 Vol. 1, pages 65—72; record located in the Public Archives of Canada. Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. "Bentley, Reuben, age 30; wife, Polly, age 28; . . . Son, Mirun Bentley, age 5; . . . Lot 1 of Con. 5, Markham Twp., Old York Co." In determining the birth year, the age should be subtracted from 1803 for greater accuracy.

[14]Reuben Bentley, son of Samuel Bentley. Microfilm copy of the **Upper Canada Land Petitions,** "B" Bundle 5, 1797—1802, Ontario Provincial Archives (and P.A.C.). (a) Petition No. 92 for: Bentley, Samuel, 18 Aug. 1800; blacksmith and scythe maker; **"three Sons Reuben, Elijah, and Ira Bently"** and their families; also two sons-in-law — Joseph Plumb and Moses Bamford, who have **not** their families in . . . Province; to return for the remainder of family — a wife and two younger children . . . "shewed himself a steady Loyalist during the American War." (b) Also Petition No. 54 for: Bentley, Reuben, York, 18 Aug. 1800; ". . . **into the province with his Father Samuel Bentley** . . ."

[15]William Bentley, the implied nephew of Samuel Bentley and the implied cousin of Samuel's offspring, in Markham in 1801. **Upper Canada Land Petition,** "B" Bundle 5, 1797 — 1802. Microfilm copy is in the Ontario Provincial Archives, Toronto, and another is in the P.A.C., Ottawa. Petition No. 32 for: Bentley, William, 1801: "Uncle and other relations residing in Markham . . . five children . . . wife having died about two months ago . . ." earlier than 24 Nov. 1801.

[16]William Bentley, husband of Anna and father of Hanna Bentley, Gardner Bentley, and Randel Bentley. **Berczy Census Report of 1804 for Markham Township,** Ontario County; reference M.G. 23, HII, 6, Vol. 1, pages 65—72; record located in the Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa: "Bentley, William, age 30; wife, Anna, age 30; children include: Hanna Bentley, age 9; Gardner Bentley, age 6; and Randel Bentley, age 3 . . . Lot 3 of Con. 5, Markham Twp., Old York Co. The age may be subtracted from 1803 for greater accuracy in determining the birth year. **William Bentley,** from this data, appears to have been **born ca 1773.**

[17]William Bentley of Twp. of West Greenwich in County of Kent in State of Rhode Island, yeoman, **deeded** Lot 3 on Con. 5 of Markham Twp., Old York County, which he had in 1809 received from Samuel Bentley, to Randall S. Bentley (signature) of Markham Twp., York Co., Home District (witnessed by Aschel Fish of Markham Twp. and George Barclay, minister of Twp. of Pickering, Elder, in 1824 (No. 5746) and in 1830 (No. 7235).

[18]William Bentley, son of Caleb Bentley and Leah. Arnold, J.N., **Vital Record of Rhode Island, 1636—1850**, Vol. 5, "Exeter," p 40. The birth date given is January 17, 1768; the month and day are believed to be correct. The

year of birth "1768" is believed to be in error. The correct year of birth is believed to have been **1773.** See ref. 16 and ref. 19 and compare. Arnold correctly **copied** the birth year of "1768" (the date in question) from the original record , which named "William" as "eldest son" with "Sarah" and "Hannah" (the three names of children of Caleb and Leah). The original record located by searcher Blanch F. Albro (1979) is in Exeter, RI, "Town Meeting Book—Old Book of Varieties, Book 3—1743," p. 169, bottom.

[19]William Bentley, likely **b 1.17.1773 (not** b 1.17.17**68,** as stated in the preceding reference). Bentley Burial Ground, on old farm lot, Markham Twp, York Co., Ontario, Tombstone Inscription. William Bentley d 4.28.1836 at the age of 63 y 3 m 11 days.

[20]William Bentley of Canada, father of Randall (2) Bentley and Gardner Bentley and brother of Nathan Bentley, Isaac Bentley, Spencer Bentley, and Randall (1) Bentley, is the same William Bentley of Canada, son of Caleb Bentley of Exeter and nephew of Benjamin Bentley, Thomas Bentley, Samuel Bentley, Joseph Bentley, and Gideon Bentley. **Letter of 1861 by Isaac Bentley** of Van Buren Center, Onondaga Co., NY, sent to Rev. Edward W. Bentley of Ellenville, NY, who was a Bentley of CT-Bentley ancestry and **not** of RI-Bentley ancestry and whose daughter-in-law Mrs. Edward M. (Mary M.) Bentley of Lawrence, Long Island, NY, continued his work and mailed extracts of three letters (including Isaac's) regarding descendants of RI Bentleys to Mrs. A. H. (Cora M.) Beach of Casper, WY, in 1925, who in turn was responsible for copies of the extracts reaching, in 1927, Mrs. Mary Lovering Holman, genealogist hired by Harry C. Bentley of Boston. The valuable extracts are now a part of the "Bentley Safe Manuscript" in the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library. In the Library on 7.7.77, this searcher studied them. There on 7.6.77, this searcher accidentally met his previously unknown sixth-cousin Mrs. Karen (Berns) Wheaton of Ann Arbor, MI, genealogical researcher and descendant of aforementioned Caleb's son Isaac. In his letter of 1861, Isaac, son of Isaac and grandson of Caleb, stated that his father and Uncle Nathan came from Rhode Island and settled in Onondaga Co., NY, in 1810. He stated that **Caleb's son William, his uncle,** was a Baptist preacher and **went to Canada where he died.** He wrote, **"Of my grandfather's brothers, Samuel settled in Canada, Thomas in Otsego Co., and Gideon in Oswego Co., where he died in 1859, age 107."** All others named above are included in the letter.

[21]William Bently of Coventry in the County of Kent and State of Rhode Island (March 7, 1814), son of Caleb Bently and Leah Bently bound and obliged unto Randal Bently of Albany in the County of Albany in the State of New York and unto Nathan Bently and Isaac Bently of the Town of Cammilous (Camillus) in the County of Anedaga (Onondaga) in the State of New York and Betseyan Bentley of West Greenwich in the County of Kent in the State of Rhodeisland. Deeds for West Greenwich, RI, located in Coventry,

RI, **West Greenwich Land Evidence,** Book 4, pages 456, 457, 458. Land conveyed to William Bently and then leased to Caleb Bently from March 7, 1814, and during the "Natural life of the said Caleb" consisting of "One Lot Situated lying and being partly in Exeter in the County of Washington and partly in West Greenwich aforesaid Containing Twenty Acres and fifty eight Rods, also two other Lots lying and being in said W. Greenwich, One Containing by Estimation forty four Acres the other Containing Sixteen Square Rods." ". . . I William Bently of Coventry in the County of Kent and State of Rhodeisland . . . do stand Obligated and bound unto Caleb Bently and Leah Bently my honored Father and Mother . . . Sealed with my seal dated this 7th day of March AD 1814." ". . . William Bently shall well and truly maintain and support the said Caleb Bently and the said Leah Bently with every kind of support Necessary for the support of Life during their Natural Lives and pay the said Caleb Bentley Just Debts now owing with having the use of the lands he hath his life in . . ."

[22]Caleb Bentley and Samuel Bentley, brothers of Joseph Bentley, Thomas Bentley, and Benjamin Bentley, all sons of Benjamin Bentley ("Jr.") and his wife Sarah. Arnold, J. N., **Vital Record of Rhode Island, 1636 — 1850,** Vol. 5, "Exeter," page 40 (Exeter "Births," Book 1, page 201, original record).

[23]Benjamin Bentley, husband of Sarah Shippee. "Sarah Bentley," named as daughter of **Samuel Shippee** of East Greenwich (RI), in Will proved September 27, 1740 (the name "Benjamin" is not written); "Samuel Shippy" (Shippee). East Greenwich (RI), Probate Book 1, pages 249-253, "Will and Inventory."

[24A]**Thomas Bentley, grandfather of Caleb Bentley, son of son Benjamin Bentley.** Exeter (RI), Probate Record, Book 4, page 43. Will proved on April 15, 1778 (written on June 15, 1772), for **Thomas Bentley.** "I Give and Bequeath unto **my Grandson Caleb Bently the Son of my Son Benjamin Bently** One Quarter of an Acre of Land where the House Stands which he built adjoyning to the House where his Father now Lives freely to be enjoyed by him after my Decease to be and remain to him his Heirs and Assigns forever . . ." "I Give and Bequeath unto **my Son Benjamin Bently** all that Tract of Land Whereon he now lives, excepting that Tract of an Acre which I have herein before Given to **his Son Caleb Bently,** and is that Tract of Land which I bought of **Samuel Spencer** . . ." "I also give . . . wife **(Mary)** my great **Bible."**

[24B]**Thomas Bently, deceased grandfather of Caleb Bently; Benjamin Bently, Jr.; Caleb Bently's wife "Leaeh Bently."** Exeter (RI), Land Evidence, Book 4, page 210; document sealed on January 20, 1794. ". . . I Caleb Bently of West greenwich in the County of Kent and State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations Yeoman for and in Consideration of . . . well and truly paid by Benjamin Bentley Jr. of Exeter in the County of Washington and State abovesaid . . . one Certain tract or Lot of Land with one Dwelling house . . . in the Township of Exeter . . . Eighteen acres . . . bounded Northerly and

Be:

Easterly on Highways Southerly on Land Belonging to the Heirs of Robert Reynolds Deceased Westerly on land of Robert Reynolds in part and partly on Land of Benjamin Green or however otherwise the Same may be Bounded Limitted or Described it is all that Lot of Land and Buildings **formerly Owned By my Honoured Grandfather Thomas Bentley Deceast a Right to Which Desended to me from my s'd Grandfather in and By his Last Will and Testament** To have and to Hold the s'd Granted And quit claimed premises . . . and **Leaeh Bently wife of the said Caleb Bently** doth . . ."

[25]Thomas Bentley, husband of Elizabeth "Chamberland." Arnold, J. N., **Vital Record of Rhode Island, 1636 — 1850,** Vol. 5, "North Kingstown," page 9. Thomas Bentley and Elizabeth Chamberland, m by John Eldred, Assistant, "June 6, ---- (1706)."

[26]Thomas Bentley, husband of Mary Reynolds. **Ibid.,** Thomas Bentley and Mary Reynolds, m by William Spencer, Justice, "May 20, ----" (record damaged by fire and smoke).

[27]Thomas Bentley, son of William Bentley, Kingstown Probate Records, Book 6, page 11. Although damaged from fire and smoke in the 1870 fire at the Wickford National Bank where the records were kept, the part identifying Thomas Bentley as the son of William Bentley was legible: **William Bently** of the . . . "Collony of Rhoad Island . . . England Curryer . . . Kings town . . . Upon . . . Order of the Court and Sealled with . . . 11th Day of July 1720 . . . Francis Willett" On page 11: "Give to my Son Thomas Bently five . . ." and . . . "beloved wife Sarah Bently . . ." Other persons named on page 11 of the Will include William Bently's Son William, Son James, Son Benjamin, and Daughter Jane Whittman.

[28]**Record,** Rhode Island Historical Society, Providence, RI, **Miscellaneous Manuscript B477w.** Handwritten, faded ink, uneven fragmentation to 5/8 inch from former right edge of single sheet, writing of the last digit or two of some of the years is either on missing fragments or hidden by loose or folded fragmenting particles along what is now an uneven right edge breaking up into small particles, and writing extends from the top edge of the sheet to the left and right edges of the sheet to ¾ inch from the bottom of the sheet of paper on which the writing appears. The first ten lines are separated from the last ten lines by two parallel horizontal-solid-lines 1/8 inch apart drawn with straight edge from left edge to right edge. To this searcher the writing appears to be as follows from a **xerox copy** (July 10, 1978).

1) William Bently Born in Amphill in Bedfordshire
2) England and departed this Life in Kingstown
3) 83 yrs and 11 days of His age and Sarah Bently She
4) the Wife of ye above William Departed this Life
5) December ye 28 1731
6) Mary Austen Born in ye year 1670

Be:

7) William Bently Son of William Born Jan (?)* ye 8 day — 1677
8) James Bently Son of William Born May ye 26 dy — 1679
9) Thomas Bently Son of William Born June ye 19 dy — 1685
10) Benjamin Bently Son of William Born March ye 27 dy — 169- (1690?)

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11) Thomas Bently the Son of William was Born June ye 19
12) Mary Bently the Wife of Thos Bently was Born June ye
13) 27 in ye of Lord 1702
14) the Birth of Thomas and Mary Bently Chi
15) Jane Bently was Born October ye 25 dy 1707
16) Mary Bently was Born February ye 22 day 1709
17) William Bently was Born December 18 day 171- (1710?) (1710)
18) Benjamin Bently was Born July ye 5 day 1714
19) Thomas Bently ye Son of Thomas was Born July ye 11 (1717?) (1717)
**20) Benjamin Bentley Departed this Life March 15 D 17-- (1794?) (179-)

[29]Baptismal Record for a "William Bentl(e)y" in Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England, **Christening** on September 13, 1640, of William Bentl(e)y, Son of John. Identification of this "William Bentley" as "William Bentl(e)y of Kings Town" is **not** positive. Call Number of Original Record: **Beds 2 Vol 17 Parish Registers, Chr 1602 — 1812.** Parish Register Printout PN-P-371-1; Library Call No. 5999350; **Microfilm** 0471892, Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT.

*legible, but this reader is unable to discern Jan, June, or July, or other (?).
**Line 20 is in different handwriting. The last two digits of the year are hidden in a fold at right edge of sheet. Hopefully a photograph and interpretation by RI Historical Society staff shall yield a little more evidence.

[30]Unpublished manuscript entitled "The Life and Ancestry of Randall Spencer Bentley...," written by Duncan Sinclair, husband of R. S. Bentley's dtr Maria (Bentley) Sinclair, ca 1890. Although obvious errors are presented in the manuscript, many factual statements are included; therefore, many important leads for further genealogical research are to be gleaned. This searcher received a copy, typewritten from the original, in November of 1977. Edwin M. Bentley of Seattle requested R. Ferris Randall of Eden, NY, to send the copy.

Inachronisms and mistaken identities are found throughout the paper. The opening paragraphs read:

> R. S. Bentley's paternal ancestor was Benjamin Bentley of the Town of Bedford, England, a contemporary and friend of the celebrated patriot and preacher, John Bunyan;[1]
>
> Benjamin Bentley married Bunyan's sister. He was also a member of the Baptist Church to which Bunyan ministered. In this relationship he became identified more or less with much of the suffering and persecutions Bunyan had to endure. . .
>
> In 1639 Roger Williams organized here the first Baptist Church in America. Benjamin Bentley, being a late member of Bunyan's Church of the Town of Bedford, England, united with this little band of believers who had made their home in the wilderness. From that time until the present, the whole family of Bentley has adhered to the Baptist Persuasion.

Analysis and Comment:

Randall Spencer Bentley's ancestor Benjamin Bentley was his great-grandfather, father of Caleb and grandfather of Randall's father William. Ancestor Benjamin Bentley was very likely born on July 5, 1714, the son of Thomas and the grandson of William Bently, who lived and died in Kings Town (later North Kingstown, RI) and was born in Ampthill ("Amphill"), Bedfordshire, England, likely in 1637. William's birth date in Ampthill was calculated by subtracting his age at death 83 years 11 days from the date his Will was sealed, July 11, 1720.

Records in Bedfordshire

Records in Bedfordshire show that:

(1) William Bentl(e)y was Christened at Ampthill on September 13, 1640, son of John Bentley and wife Mary Betts, as their sixth child.

(2) John Bentl(e)y, William's father, was Christened November 5, 1608, at Elstow, and was married on October 3, 1630, at Ampthill. John was buried on March 26, 1666, at Ampthill. His wife was Mary Betts.

[1]John Bunyan, b 1628, d 1688, English preacher and author of **Pilgrim's Progress.**

(3) William Bentl(e)y's grandfather William Bentl(e)y was married May 18/20, 1601, Bedford, St. Paul's, to Mary Goodwin, buried July 1, 1632 (widow). Their seven children were: Margaret, Elizabeth, Thomas, John, Rose, Emma, and Mary. Rose had m Edward Bonnionn (Bunyan). Margaret, Christened November 13, 1603, at Elstow, married May 23, 1627, Thomas Bunnion (Bunyan), Christened February 24, 1602, at Elstow. Their eldest child was John Bunyan, author of **Pilgrim's Progress,** Christened November 30, 1628. John Bunyan had only one sister, Margaret, Christened March 7, 1630, buried July 24, 1644, at the age of only 14 years, if she was baptized in the same year that she was born.

(4) William Bentley (Chr. 1640) and John Bunyan (Chr. 1628) appear to have been first-cousins. Were William's paternal ancestors John's maternal ancestors?

Roger Williams, the English clergyman in New England who founded Rhode Island, was born around 1603 (1599+?) and died in 1683. It is possible that William Bentley of Kingstown who was born in Ampthill met or had known Roger Williams in Rhode Island. Perhaps an ancestor(s) of Randall S. Bentley other than a "Bentl(e)y" was closely associated with Roger Williams. In July of 1978, I received a letter from sixth-cousin Mrs. Karen (Berns) Wheaton of Ann Arbor, MI, a descendant of William Bentley **via** Caleb Bentley and his wife Leah. In her letter Karen comments that her mother had just finished reading a book about Roger Williams entitled **The Gentle Radical: Roger Williams** by C. Covey and published by McMillan and Co., 1966. Roger Williams is quoted as calling thirteen persons listed in the book his "loving friends and neighbors . . ." Among the names were those of **Thomas Olney** and **John Greene**, Surgeon, who were both Karen (Berns) Wheaton's and Randall Spencer Bentley's ancestors, the two great grandfathers of Leah (Spencer) Bentley, wife of Caleb Bentley, according to Karen.

This searcher appreciates the search and research efforts of the following persons who made this documentary evidence available and the trace possible: Mrs. Carole Cross of El Monte, CA; The Ontario Genealogical Society; Mr. James Bell of the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library, Boston, MA; William Britnell of Mississauga, Ontario, Canada; Edwin Bentley of Seattle, WA; John Mezaks of the Ontario Provincial Archives, Toronto; The Public Archives of Canada; The Rhode Island Historical Society; Karen (Berns) Wheaton of Ann Arbor; Mrs. Blanche W. Albro of Coventry, RI; R. Ferris Randall of Eden, NY; the LDS Genealogical Society; Alden Gamaliel Beaman of East Princeton, MA; *et al.*

[31]Ref: Microfilm 0471892. Library Call No. 599350; Project No. PN-P-371; **Parish Register Printout** of Ampthill, Beds, England (Bedfordshire), Christenings from 1602 to 1812 AD; extracted by the Records Tabulations Department and published by The Genealogical Society of Jesus Christ of

Latter Day Saints, Inc., 1967; Call Number of Original Record: Beds 2 Vol. 17, Parish Registers, Chr 1602-1812; Typescript Copy of a Transcription of Parish Registers (missing years: October 28, 1622, through August 31, 1623, and from 1641 through 1653. **Note: Entries involving 1 Jan — 24 March in years prior to 1752 have been recorded in our modern calendar** (see genealogy instruction manual, sec. 3, p. 24), 165 ed (?). Research 4.4.1978.

Actual spelling:Filing spelling::**Bentley:Bentley::Bently:Bentley::**Bun yan:Bennion.

1.	Chr 27 Sep 1650 Ann	D	Thos. Bentley
2.	Chr 8 Apr 1670 Ann	D	Jas. Bentley and Mary
3.	Chr 13 Aug 1663 Eliz.	D	Jas. Bentley
4.	Chr 8 Aug 1664 Eliz.	D	Jn. Bentley
5.	Chr 24 Jun 1667 Eliz.	D	Jas. Bentley
6.	Brn 29 Sep 1661 Francis	S	Jas. Bentley
7.	Brn 13 Jun 1698 Frances	D	Jas. Bentley (or Benkley)
8.	Chr 24 Jun 1698 Frances	D	Jas. Bentley (or Benkley)
9.	Chr 20 Jul 1634 Jn.	S	Jn Bentley
10.	Chr 6 May 1638 Jas.	S	Jn Bently
11.	Brn 30 Sep 1656 Jn.	S	Thos. Bentley
12.	Chr 23 Sep 1664 Jas.	S	Jas. Bentley
13.	Chr. 11 Nov 1632 Mary	D	Jn. Bentley
14.	Brn 6 Aug 1657 Mary	D	Jn. Bently
15.	Chr 19 Jan 1654 Mary	D	Thos. Bentley
16.	Chr 25 Mar 1631 Rob.	S	Jn. Bentley
17.	Chr 18 Oct 1679 Rebecca	D	Jn. Bentley and Rebecca
18.	Chr 10 Apr 1636 Thos.	S	Jn. Bentley
19.	Chr 18 Jan. 1668 Thos.	S	Jn. Bentley
20.	**Chr 13 Sep. 1640 Wm.**	**S**	**Jn. Bentley**
21.	Chr 15 May 1665 Eliz.	D	Rob. Bunyan
22.	Chr 25 Jun. 1667 Jn.	S	Rob. Bunyan
23.	Chr 23 Mar. 1654 Thos.	S	Rob. Bunyan

Next Ref: Microfilm 0543875, Print-Out, Beds, Ampthill, 1604 — 1812, Marriages, Lib. Call No. 826470 (also see pamphlet entitled "The Genealogical Society's Name Extraction Programs, Series F, No. 3."). Actual spelling is "BENTLY," with standard spelling here as "BENTLEY." Giant Parish Printout by Management Systems Corp, Salt Lake City, UT;

Vol. M-371-1, Parish Printout of Ampthill, Bedford, England (1604—1812) (980 mar., 967 cross-references, total of 1,947). Years covered: 1604—1609, 1611—1630, 1632—1641, 1653—1658, 1661—1663, 1671—1680, 1682—1762, 1772, 1778, 1779—1812.

Marriages, Ampthill, Beds, England

1. **Bentley m 10.3.1630 Jn w Mary Betts 00136-1**
2. Bentley m 10.8.1655 Thomas w Mary Abes 00214-6
3. Bentley m 11.3.1656 John w Margaratt Bowth 00217-1
4. Bentley m 9.28.1674 Mary h Hen Chad or Chadd 00243-2
5. Bentley m 11.15.1678 Jn w Rebecca Michill or Mitchell 00267-5
6. Bentley m 5.19.1694 Ann h Jn Neale 00318-7
7. Bentley m 9.28.1687 Rebecca h Wm Holis 00297-3
8. Bentley m 10.11.1707 Rebecca h Thos Harbor (Harbour) 00423-4

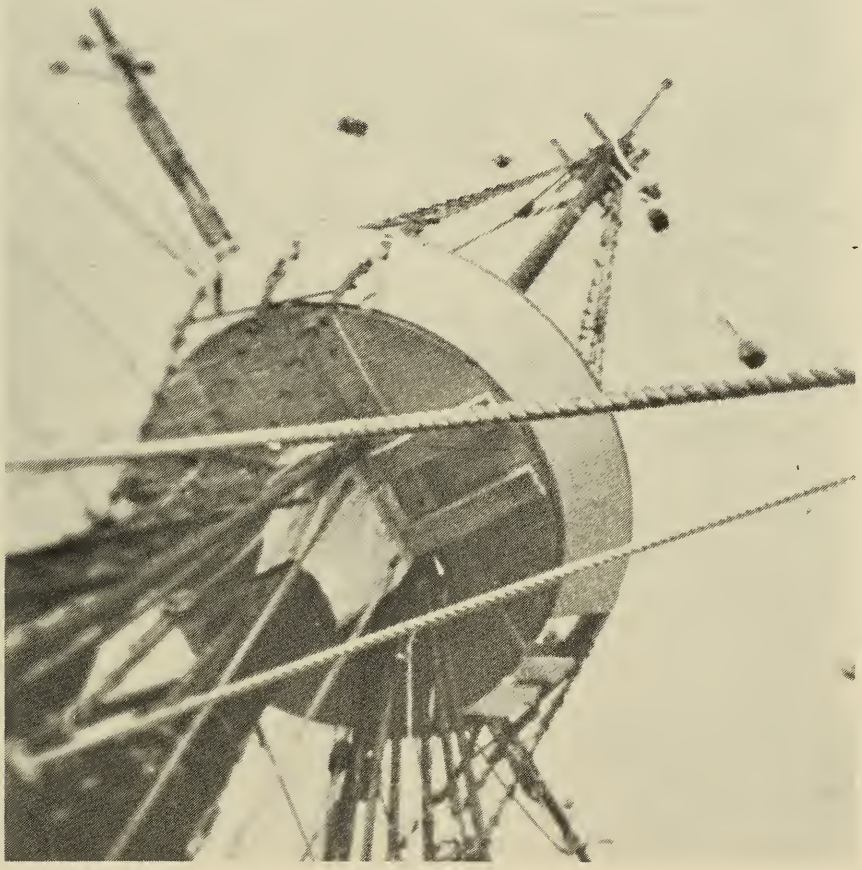
Classification of **WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y, Anc.X.193.**, as the Progenitor — **Be:F.**, and that of his sister and his four brothers is based upon the following Ampthill baptismal records and reference Be162 (A. and B.):

Be:A. Robert Bentl(e)y, bapt. March 25, **1631**;
Be:b. Mary Bentl(e)y, bapt. November 11, **1632**;
Be:C. John Bentl(e)y, bapt. July 20, **1634**;
Be:D. Thomas Bentl(e)y, bapt. April 10, **1636**;
Be:E. James Bentl(e)y, bapt. May 6, **1638**; and
Be:F. William Bentl(e)y, baptized on September 13, **1640**, at Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England.

THE BENTL(E)Y BREAKTHROUGH AFTER A LATENCY PERIOD OF TEN YEARS

The teacher of an enrichment class of genealogy in El Monte High School asked me to speak to her group in March of 1977. There has always been a willingness on my part to share research experiences. On the morning of the day the talk was scheduled, a box was packed with some of the general reference books from my home library.

Included among the books was a "Remembrance Book" composed of loose-leaf "Archive Record" sheets selected by this searcher at the Mormon Genealogical Society Library in Salt Lake City, UT, in 1967, during a stopover for a few days while on a genealogical-research trip across the U.S. and through the Canadian Province of Ontario en route to Expo '67, Montreal, Quebec. The "Archive Record" or family-group sheets had been



Any genealogically inclined person standing on the deck of the ship **Mayflower II** and gazing skyward along the mast must wonder, "How many unknown ancestors have had a similar view as they crossed the Atlantic Ocean to America?"

selected at random for various families having the surnames of "Bentley," "Sarles," and "Sharrard." In 1967 this searcher could not relate to any of them. While presenting this material to the class and suggesting to them the possible starting-point for genealogical research in Salt Lake City (primary record-center for beginning genealogists in America), I merely flipped open the book and randomly selected an "Archive Record" — by accident the record for the family of a "Benjamin Bentley." As I glanced at the names on the sheet, my eyes focused on the name of one of his sons — **SAMUEL BENTLEY!!!** "Samuel Bentley?!!!" I thought while standing there motionless in awe.

"Wait a minute, students. Just by chance I think I've found something very important in my Bentley-family research which has been for a long time (10 years) right under my nose," I declared.

Why, I hadn't looked at these records in **ten years!** Only within recent years had I learned that a "SAMUEL BENTLEY" was the grandfather of my second-great grandfather MIRON BENTLEY (V.7.), son of REUBEN BENTLEY (VI.13.). **My** SAMUEL was the uncle of a William Bentley, whose father's name had been unknown to me. Could this be **the same Samuel?** I had to table the excitement, regain my composure, resume the talk enthusiastically, and conclude the meeting with a lively discussion.

Upon returning home that evening, I very closely examined those now-surprising "Archive Record" sheets which I had so woefully neglected. I was dismayed to think that those sheets set aside in the house had almost been forgotten. From that very moment on, this searcher has resolutely pursued many new leads in locating and uniting the missing pieces of part of the Bentley-family puzzle which now appears to have no perimeter. A description of the relevant events follows. I have enjoyed the hunt for Bentley ancestors and their descendants.

In my letter to **William Britnell** of Mississauga (Ontario), who has been primarily interested in research of the early settlers of Markham Twp., York Co. (Ontario), my remark was that with regret I was forced by personal commitment to publish the genealogical material that I had already assembled thus surrendering the hope of ever being able to trace MIRON BENTLEY (V.7.), my second-great grandfather, back into the U.S. somewhere to his birthplace. Bill knew that all I had ever known of MIRON'S origin was published in Rev. Wood's book entitled **Past Years in Pickering** (Toronto, 1911). Wood wrote that MIRON came to Canada as "a young man." From the tombstone inscription in the Christian Church Burial Ground, a cemetery located in Brougham, Pickering Twp, Ontario County, Ontario, a mathematical calculation was made: 1844th year, 1st month, 19th day, minus 45 years would result in 1798, the likely year of MIRON'S birth.

Bill Britnell replied that he had seen the name "MIRUN BENTLEY" with his age indicated as "5 years," in his notes on just the day before he received

my letter. The names and ages of MIRON'S parents and his two sisters also appeared in the source he had previously consulted (the 1804 Berczy Census Report for Markham Twp in York County, adjacent to Pickering Twp in Ontario County). Names and ages of other children and parents of related families of Bentleys also appeared.

In my misplaced manila-folder were the 1967 "field notes" for the Bentley name located on (1) land petitions (1800 A.D.) and (2) deed records for Markham Twp in the Ontario Provincial Archives, Toronto. For at least four years this folder hadn't been moved from under a stack of phonograph records on a TV stand near the stereo-radio-phonograph in the living room! Copies of the documentary evidence in the folder contained the proof that REUBEN was the son of SAMUEL BENTLEY, a Loyalist blacksmith and scythe maker. From these records one **may imply** that **SAMUEL BENTLEY** was the **uncle** of **"William Bentley of West Greenwich, Kent County, Rhode Island."**

Although I had been in Rhode Island for the first time in my life in 1967 to visit the West Greenwich area, I had not made the New England-to-Canada Bentley—connection. In Boston my stay in 1967 was just long enough to enjoy an unforgettable seafood-dinner at the famous Pier-4-restaurant, Anthony's. This searcher at that time had absolutely no knowledge of the extensive holdings of genealogical significance at the New England Historic and Genealogical Society Library, Boston.

A timely newsletter from the Ontario Genealogical Society in 1977 contained an informative article about one of the members of New England extraction who had been very successful in just one week of research in locating records of her ancestors while attending the first New England Family History Seminar held in the summer of 1976 at Harvard University and cosponsored by the NEHGS. Members of OGS were encouraged to apply for the second seminar to be held from July 4 to July 16, 1977. Needless to say this searcher applied.

Before flying to Boston, clarification of my research problem on the Bentley Family was necessary. Included in the 19 typewritten pages were the names, dates, places of importance, and the quoted documentary-evidence (largely secondary) to support the connections between parents and offspring.

The first xeroxed copy was sent to **Edwin Bentley** of Seattle, undoubtedly one of the most genealogically well-informed Bentleys in America. Ed's name was discovered, just a few weeks before the trip, in a query printed in an issue of the **Genealogical Helper** dated Sept. 1975. This searcher was in the newly dedicated Long Beach Library on the opening day just browsing through the books and periodicals on the shelves of the somewhat limited genealogical-section when the magazine caught his eye.

The second copy of the 19-page manuscript was sent to **Alden G. Beaman,** P.O. Box 585, East Princeton, MA 01517. He had advertised in Editor **Netti**

Schreiner-Yantis' Ed. 2 of **Genealogical and Local History Books in Print,** 1975. He read my expressed desire to find evidence that **my** ancestor SAMUEL BENTLEY (VII.25.) was **the** "Samuel Bentley" named as the son of "Benjamin Bentley, Jr." and "Sarah Shippee" as indicated in Arnold's **Vital Record of Rhode Island.** Dr. Beaman stated that he himself was a descendant of the Rhode Island Bentley-progenitor WILLIAM BENTLEY.

Beaman provided information regarding the location of a very important source of information containing the evidence linking **my ancestor** SAMUEL to his parents BENJAMIN BENTLEY and SARAH SHIPPEE. In his letter of "30 March 1977," Beaman wrote, "Finally, there is an unpublished Safe

Internationally known Genealogist Milton Rubincam delivered an inspiring lecture entitled "New England Migration to the Maritime Provinces" during the New England Family History Seminar. The seminar, New England Historic Genealogical Society's second joint program with the Harvard University Summer School, was held between the 4th and 15th of July in 1977. Living in Lowell House on the banks of the Charles River, dining at the Union in Harvard Yard, and enjoying the academic atmosphere of Harvard, ninety-one students from twenty-eight states, the District of Columbia and Canada attended daily lectures on topics related to preparing and writing a family history. Sitting to the right of the speaker is Dr. James B. Bell, Director and Librarian, New England Historic Genealogical Society, who later presented the topic "The Nature of Biography" and emphasized, "Begin today" (to prepare a biography). The seminar consisted of many pleasant and rewarding experiences.

Two of North America's top and most well-known Genealogists. Milton Rubincam and John Insley Coddington, authors and lecturers, were participants in the morning lectures and evening discussions during the NEHGS and Harvard University co-sponsored New England Family History Seminar. The two gentlemen enjoyed their visit on July 9, 1977, to Plimoth Plantation, a folk museum depicting the Pilgrim settlement at about 1627. Later the same day the ship **Mayflower II** was visited. Everyone on the "field trip" had a very delightful afternoon culminated by the ingestion of superbly prepared foods during the specially arranged "New England Clambake."

Manuscript of the Bentley Family at the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library, 101 Newbury Street, Boston, Mass. 02116, which I have looked at a long time ago, and can't tell for sure whether or not it would have anything for you in it."

In his letter of "11 May 1977" the idea was **reinforced** by Beaman, "Also there is a Bentley 'Safe Manuscript' at the New England Historic Genealogical Soc. Library in Boston, Mass. (101 Newbury St.) which is not available elsewhere and just might have something; you could write them for their list of genealogists who could search it for you."

My decision was to fly to Boston to attend the NEFH Seminar at Harvard, co-sponsored by the NEHGS. My efforts were rewarded in just a few days there. On the very first day (7.6.1977) in the NEHGS Library, while sauntering to the card catalog and being quite preoccupied with the Bentley-search, I stumbled over Mrs. Roger (Karen Louise Berns) Wheaton of Ann Arbor, MI, obliviously involved with **her** ancestral research. Coincidentally her

ancestors were Bentleys too. We became acquainted and learned that her 4th-great grandfather Caleb Bentley was probably the brother of my 4th-great grandfather SAMUEL, but we needed proof (found on the next day, 7.7.77, that we were, indeed, 6th cousins).

Together we went through a portion of the Bentley "Safe Manuscript" consisting primarily of **Mary Lovering Holman's** collection of Harry C. Bentley's 1927 "Genealogical Record" sheets completed and submitted by Bentleys across the U.S. The "manuscript" consists of a large cardboard box containing 20 bundles of names and addresses, genealogical record sheets (1 for gf, 1 for f, 1 for self), extracts from correspondence regarding Bentleys, etc.

In October of 1926, Genealogist Mary Lovering Holman, of 39 Winsor Ave., Watertown, MA, now deceased, was hired to begin a Bentley Family compilation. She was hired by Harry C. Bentley, President of The Bentley School of Accounting and Finance, Inc., 921 Boylston Street, Boston. A letter written by him to her dated 11.29.1922, clearly shows that she was referred to him by The New England Historic Genealogical Society of Boston in response to his inquiry. He wanted to know where he could obtain the services of someone to compile a genealogical record of his branch of the Bentleys. He expressed his interest in getting a history of the Bentley coat of arms. He wrote in December of 1926, while in San Diego, CA, on a visit, that he had an older brother living in Harwinton, CT, and stated that he thought his grandparents were Daniel Bentley and Lavinia Marble. In 1927 he wrote that he thought Daniel, b 6.20.1812, CT, had a brother Frederick and father George Bentley, b in 1786.

Lists consisting of over 3,000 Bentley names from city directories in the U.S.A. were prepared by Sampson and Murdock Co. Attempts were made to send letters and "genealogical record" forms to each of the listed Bentleys and to any others who might be added later. Many Bentleys who were living in American rural communities were not included in the lists. Mrs. Holman explained in her letter of 12.14.1926, "we reach them only by the addresses sent to us by relatives whom we reach by the directories . . ."

In December of 1926, Mrs. Holman wrote that she had found that a William Bentley in Lebanon, Conn., who m Mary Elliot in Stonington, was **apparently** of **no** connection with the Rhode Island family.[1]

Mr. Harry C. Bentley included the following message in each letter sent out to a Bentley:

> In order to make the genealogy as nearly complete and authentic as possible, it becomes necessary for me to ask all persons bearing the name of Bentley to cooperate with me by furnishing information which will assist Mrs. Holman in her task. Will you please fill in the

[1]In an article of an issue of the **NEHGS Quarterly,** printed before 10.13.1927, the statement was made that Mary Lovering Holman was preparing a genealogy on William Bentley of Lebanon, CT.

enclosed charts as fully as possible and mail to me promptly? An addressed, stamped envelope is enclosed for your reply.

On 8.11.1927, Harry C. Bentley wrote to M. L. Holman that he had recently sent to her by parcel post a copy of the genealogy compiled by Dr. Frank H. Titus (deceased).[1] The compilation by Titus was loaned to H.C.B. by F. H. Titus' brother Mr. S. O. Titus, of Dover, NH. H.C.B. expressed his hope that it would be of some help to M.L.H.

In January of 1927, M. L. Holman stated in her letter to H. C. Bentley that she thought there were at least four early Bentley immigrants, William of Rhode Island, William of Connecticut, a Bentley of Pennsylvania, and a Bentley in the South.[2]

Concentrating her attention on the New England Bentleys and possibly those of Pennsylvania, Mary L. Holman planned "to work the Bentley lines down by Land and Probate and Church and Court and Military and Census and Vital Records to about 1825 in order to use the charts" ("Genealogical Record" forms).

Correspondence with various Bentleys in America resulted in two interesting traces which found their ways to M. L. Holman's Bentley manuscript-collection (**SG Ben 27,** NEHGSL, Boston). Although documentation appears to have been a keynote, one may wonder if better documentation is not possible. Many of the "families" are **not** connected to form "family groups" because the supposed connections were **not** proven. Much of the collection is authentic, this searcher later learned; but some of the hypotheses have **not** been acceptable. Analysis of additional data from other documented sources has eliminated much of the guess work. A genuine genealogical-synthesis has been the goal.

Correspondence with various Bentleys in America with varying genealogical interests has resulted in interesting information. In two or three lengthy traces claiming Bentley ancestors extending from Bentleys living in the present century to patrilineal antecedent of all (?) Bentleys in the world in England. Determining the validity and reliability of the "documentation" of these traces presents a challenge to the interested historian/genealogist.

Floyd F. Bentley sent to Mary Lovering Holman the original of the copy in the mss file beginning with "Drew of Bentley" (ca 1086) and ending with the Pardon Bentley, b Exeter, RI, 1740. This searcher has not examined the

[1] A somewhat illegible microfilm-copy is in the Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT, cataloged as "FFH 96" and identified only by a handwritten card inserted on the last page of the index, "Dr. Frank H. Titus prepared the information. Papers now owned by Mrs. John H. Meader, Dr. Titus' niece." This searcher saw the microfilm for the first time during the first week of August in 1977 in SLC and received "reader-printer copies" of entire manuscript on 8.24.1977. There are 247 pages in the compilation.

[2] In the "Introduction" to her work, M.L.H. presents evidence for other Bentley early-arrivals in America before detailing WILLIAM BENTLEY OF KINGS TOWNE, as the apparent Progenitor of the entire "Rhode Island" Family Group of Bentleys.

evidence upon which the bonds between the links of that chain were made. What do the British genealogists have to say regarding the authenticity of the traces?

Holman, Mary Lovering, Foreward to the "Bentley Line," Watertown, Mass., 1928. Ref: **SG Ben 15,** NEHGSL, Boston, MA:

> For many years, descendants of the several Bentley immigrants to America have been interested in their ancestors of the name. Statements have been made by amateur searchers, without proof other than they thought they were stating facts, and these statements have been copied again and again. The two most striking errors are the two which deal, first with the wife of William (2) Bentley of Kingstown, and, secondly, that which presents an English pedigree for either William of Kingstown or William of Lebanon with whom William (2) is often confused.
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> William of Lebanon, Conn., was born about the same time as William (2) of Kingstown[1] and married in Stonington, Conn., 23 Apr. 1703, Mary Eliot. He was not a resident of Stonington apparently when the marriage took place. The young couple settled in Lebanon and had a family there, from whom there are many descendants all over the country. These lines of descent frequently pause in the same locality where members of the Kingstown family are also found, making it very hard to keep the life-streams separate. The burning of the records at Kingstown, including as they do in all Rhode Island towns, not only vital records but wills and deeds, make it almost impossible to clear the accounts of families which started there.
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> There is **not** the slightest evidence where William Bentley (1) of Kingstown came from or just when he arrived in the country. He may have married in England and had some children before he came over and the parent home may some day be discovered; but at present there is **nothing** to show from what part of England he came to the colonies. He was an honest yeoman like most of the settlers in New England so far as there is any proof at all. The only interesting tradition, interesting because in a way it is evidence in itself that it may be true, is the one which states that his wife Sarah was Sarah **Leithfield.** That is not an early name here and the fact that it is stated as her name may be proof that it has been repeated down the generations, for otherwise why say she was a Leithfield?

Genealogist Emilie Sarter in her Bentley manuscript (1949) wrote, "Bentley descendants in this country are inclined to connect William (1) Bentley of Rhode Island with this Thomas, half-brother of Dr. Richard Bentley. Such search as has been made here has revealed **nothing** in the

[1]No evidence was quoted to substantiate the claim that they were born "almost the same time."

nature of proof. It **may** be possible however to find the connecting link in English records." [1]

In her August 25, 1927, correspondence with George Selleck of Exeter, NH, Mary Lovering Holman wrote that Joseph Bentley, b North Kingston (afterwards Exeter, RI), b 3.25.1741, son of BENJAMIN and SARAH BENTLEY, had brothers Caleb, Joseph, Thomas (m Barbara Vaughan), SAMUEL, Benjamin (m Ruth Vaughan), Ezekial, and Gideon. At this point MLH thought that Joseph of Queensbury might be Joseph the-Rhode-Islander. However, she questioned his being a brother of Gideon, thinking it strange that there is no recollection among Joseph-of-Queensbury's descendants of the relationship with Gideon of Constantia, the old New York Patriarch, who lived to be over 100 years old. She added that she was convinced Gideon was correctly placed in the family.[2]

This searcher questions the inclusion of an "Ezekial" as a brother of Caleb, Joseph, Thomas, SAMUEL, Benjamin, and Gideon, known sons of BENJAMIN BENTLEY.

This searcher is also interested in seeing the evidence that proves that BENJAMIN'S sons Thomas and Benjamin married Barbara and Ruth Vaughan, respectively. This searcher would be very pleased to meet a living descendant of Joseph, Thomas, and Benjamin, brothers of this searcher's ancestor SAMUEL.[3]

In **Bentley Notes,** pp 115,116, Winifred Lovering Holman, SB, in 1955, wrote:

> The late Mary Lovering Holman worked for some years on a **Bentley Genealogy,** for the founder of the well-known Bentley School in Boston, Mass. The work was never completed, and at my suggestion the manuscript thereof was presented to the New England Historic Genealogical Society. I did not deem it necessary to examine this very large manuscript.

Joseph Bentley, a son of William Bentley (of Connecticut) and Mary Elliot, dtr of Henry and Deborah (Bell) Elliot, was often confused with another Joseph Bentley. Joseph (son of William and Mary) was baptized in 1726; he married Ruhama Lewis, according to data presented by Mrs. E. M. Bentley on p. 10. According to Winifred L. Holman, William was not placed (identified) by Mrs. E. M. Bentley. Anyone wishing to "place" him was encouraged to consult the Bentley Manuscript by Mary L. Holman.

[1]Obviously **none** of the Bentley-family genealogical-searchers prior to 1977 were aware of the existence of Misc. Ms. B477w in the Rhode Island Historical Society. The document could **not** have been seen by M. L. Holman, E. Sarter, F. H. Titus, etc.

[2]Also see Joseph Bentley, Be:FDCAI.

[3]Living descendants of SAMUEL'S brothers Caleb and Gideon **have been contacted** by this searcher, one quite coincidentally in a very appropriate place—the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library. While each of us was independently searching in the library for evidence of Bentley ancestors, our paths crossed in front of the card catalog. The previously unknown sixth-cousins became acquainted on that day—7.6.77. Also, living descendants have been located for Thomas.

Winnifred L. Holman continued to state that a typed and bound Bentley account (manuscript) dated 1925, by Mrs. E. M. Bentley, was at the NEGH Society Library. She concluded candidly, "It is careful work but poorly arranged."

On July 30, 1949, Genealogist Emilie Sarter of Boston, MA, wrote a letter to her "Bentley-Genealogy" employer, William Perry Bentley of Shelter Harbor, Westerly, RI. The comments written at the conclusion of her research follow.[1]

> As I once wrote you, this manuscript is a 'master' or 'k . . . ('key') (?) copy. It is by no means final. It should be used as a working c . . . (copy) before the final drought (draft) with corrections and revisions . . . typed.
>
> Aside from the notes herewith enclosed there are no data . . . included in the manuscript as you now have it.
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> . . . the chances are I will not be . . . should you come to Boston, something I regret as I should like to have had a chat with you. Should you come and care to visit the New England Historic-Genealogical Society I'm sure they will let you examine the Bentley manuscripts and notes deposited by Mrs. Holman . . .
>
> If you wish to see the form[2] you filled in you will find it in package #7 of the Holman-Bentley bundles . . .
>
> My letters of July 21 and 22 (1949) apparently did not reach you before you left Dallas. As mentioned earlier in this letter I stopped all outside search on receipt of your letter of July 23. If anything develops from my mail inquiries I shall forward it to you.
>
> . . . I do appreciate the privilege of having done this research for you.

In this searcher's opinion, Emilie Sarter of Boston conducted thorough and exhaustive research on the Rhode Island Bentleys from primary sources. The precise wording of her interpretations of the primary-source data is set forth in (1) her typewritten compilation entitled **One Branch of the Bentley Family of Rhode Island,** Boston: 1949 (microfilm copy in the Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT); and in (2) her employer's printed book: Sarter, Emilie, **ONE BRANCH OF THE BENTLEY FAMILY OF RHODE ISLAND,** Boston: 1953, compiled for William Perry (8) Bentley of Dallas, Texas, in Memory of Fred Harold (8) Bentley. The subtitle is "THE ANCESTORS AND DESCENDANTS OF William Perry Bentley, Fred Harold Bentley, John Earle Bentley, in the Eighth Generation from William (1) Bentley of Rhode Island." A copy of the book is in the Library of the New England Historic Genealogical Society, Boston.

In the "Foreward" to this book, William Perry Bentley wrote on 2.15.1951,

[1]The dots (. . .) indicate either (1) this searcher's ommissions or (2) omissions which were illegible portions at the margins of the duplicated copy of the typescript.

[2]M. L. Holman, Bundle 7 of Bentley Safe Manuscript 27, NEHGSL; location of form.

In August 1947, I spent my vacation in Westerly, R. I., in the little summer Colony at Shelter Harbor. This was my first return to my native state since 1938. Recalling that I had a number of years ago (about 1922) called upon Harry Bentley, owner of the Bentley School of Accountancy and Finance, on Boylston Street in Boston, to discuss the Bentley family genealogy, I decided to do so again, to see whether he had completed it.

My brother, Fred Harold (8) Bentley, during the years 1905 and 1906 while at Massachusetts Institute of Technology had become interested in this subject and had left at his death in 1919, notes of his findings which were in possession of his son, Fred Newton Bentley of Dallas, Texas. It was my thought that Mr. Harry Bentley's studies might give information additional to that secured by my brother.

When I called on Mr. Bentley I found him engaged in closing the details of transferring his ownership of this school to trustees who were to hold the property in trust for the public. Through his kindness, I met Miss Emilie Sarter, **a genealogist who had completed the genealogical work on his branch of the Rhode Island Bentley family.**[1] She lived at 268 Newbury Street, about two blocks from the school.

After a talk with Miss Sarter, I engaged her to check the information compiled by my brother and **to add such additional data as had been obtained by Mr. Harry Bentley.**[2]

The result of combining the information at hand is shown in the book by Emilie Sarter. The lineage developed by William Perry Bentley's brother's studies remained unchanged. W. P. Bentley commented, **"The historical data on the early generations--William (1), Benjamin (2), and William (3)—was furnished by Miss Sarter."**

This searcher has read and studied both the book and the manuscript (microfilm copy of the latter, barely legible in some parts, illegible in others). The relationship of William Perry Bentley to "William (1) Bentley," who is **the** WILLIAM BENTLEY of KINGS TOWNE (now NORTH KINGSTOWN), RHODE ISLAND, is shown in the following tracing:

1. WILLIAM BENTLEY OF RHODE ISLAND	VIII.1. b in England (?), d prior to 7.9.1720.
2. Benjamin Bentley	VII.1. b ca 1690, King's Towne, RI (NK).
3. William Bentley	VI.1, b unk., m 4.29.1750,

[1]The present location of this compilation is unknown to this searcher (1978); it is **not** in The New England Historic Genealogical Society Library (1979).

[2]A copy of Bostonian Harry Bentley's **Branch** of the "Rhode Island Bentley Family" has **not** been located by this searcher. However, the "Bentley Safe Manuscript No. 27" (NEHGS Lib.) is a storehouse of information written on data sheets collected from Bentleys across America, especially in urban areas, in 1927.

Be:

4.	William Bentley	V.1. b 3.22.1756, East Greenwich, RI.
5.	John Bentley	IV.1. b bef. 1782, East Greenwich, RI.
6.	John Bentley	III.1. b 1817, East Greenwich, RI.
7.	George Alphonso Bentley	II.1. b 7.4.1853, Jewett City, CT.
8.	William Perry Bentley	**I.1. b 2.22.1880, Niantic (now Bradford), RI.**
9.	Russell Bonner Bentley	b 8.30.1914, Houston, TX.
10.	Russell Bonner Bentley, Jr.	b 8.31.1940, Houston, TX.

Emilie Sarter wrote the "Introduction" of her book entitled **One Branch of the Bentley Family of Rhode Island** (1953) and included the following significant remarks:

> In the quest for the ancestors of William Perry (8) Bentley (born 1880), his brothers Fred Harold (8) (1882-1918) and John Earle (8) Bentley (b. 1890) and an only sister, Sarah Allen (8) Bentley (born and died 1885), the usual method of genealogical search was followed first by Fred Harold (8) Bentley, who gathered the available records and recollections of immediately or distantly related Bentleys, sifting essential clues from irrelevant data and, particularly in the early generations, going back of these, when practicable, to the original records in the towns and cities of which at one time or another the Bentleys of this pedigree were inhabitants.
>
> William Perry (8) Bentley continued the search after his brother's death and in 1947 had his data checked, increased and verified. The result is this pedigree.
>
> In this manner it was established that (in) this eighth generation (there) were direct descendants of the William (1) Bentley who settled in the Narragansett country, now Washington County, State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, in 1678 when his name first appears in the unpublished records of the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, now in the State Archives at Providence.
>
> As there is no known printed genealogy of all his descendants, such accessible manuscript and published works on Bentleys were carefully checked and collated and yielded a surprising amount of accurate information.
>
> One of the most fruitful is **Bentley Gleanings,** a haphazard compilation of abstracts from records, histories, letters, **Bibles** and other information gathered by **Mrs. Julia Harrison Lobdell** in 1903 and 1904 for her friend, Mrs. Joseph Sheaff of Holcomb, Illinois, an eighth generation Rhode Island Bentley, who anticipated joining the Society of Colonial Dames. Mrs. Lobdell was **not** a professional genealogist. Genealogical search was merely a therapeutic activity. She lived in Chicago, where she published **Bentley Gleanings** in 1905.
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> Another invaluable secondary source devoted to the Rhode Island Bentleys and their descendants is a typed manuscript of one

hundred eighty-three pages of Bentleys and the families into which they married, bringing most of the lines down to the tenth generation and the twentieth century. There is an average of nearly complete vital statistics of seven families to a page, amounting to some thirteen or fourteen hundred families more or less, in both the male and female lines.

The history of this compilation would be illuminating. Unfortunately the name of its author does not appear on the title page and it is believed that correspondence concerning it was in some manner lost.[1]

The Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island published in 1887 by John Osborne Austin (1849-1918), a Rhode Islander by birth and descent, though not exhaustive nor always accurate, and spanning three and in many instances four generations, includes what is perhaps the first chart of the first Rhode Island Bentleys on which this pedigree is based.

In the second column of this chart on page 19 (of his book), Austin states that William (2) Bentley, Jr., son of William (1) Bentley of Rhode Island, married for his first wife, on April 21, 1703, Mary Eliot. It was **not,** however, this William who married Mary Eliot.

Mary Eliot was a daughter of Henry and Deborah (Bell) (York) Eliot, of Stonington, Connecticut Colony. She was married there, according to both town and church records, on 4.21.1703, to William Bentley who was a son of William and Mary (Houghton) Bentley who were married in Dorchester, Massachusetts Bay Colony, in January of 1675/6 and who **had apparently** died many years prior to the time of their son's marriage to Mary Eliot. William and Mary (Eliot) Bentley settled in Lebanon, Connecticut Colony. It does not appear that any Rhode Island Bentleys settled in Stonington or even in the Connecticut Colony until the middle of the eighteenth century.[2]

Sources for the foregoing are: Dorchester Marriage Records 1663-1683 in the Report of the Boston Record Commissioners, Volume 21, page 30; the printed Milton (Mass.) Town Records 1662-1729, page 215; History of Milton 1640-1887 by A. K. Teele (1887); Milton First Church Records, New England Historic-Genealogical Register (1868), Volume 22, page 443; Lancaster (Mass.) Birth, Marriage and Death Register, Church Records and Epitaphs, by H. S. Nourse (1890) page 20; History of the First Congregational Church of Stonington, 1674-1874 by R. A. Wheeler (1875); Stonington Records Volume 1, page 89; **William Bentley, Yeoman, of Lebanon, Conn.**

[1]This searcher believes that the manuscript referred to by Emilie Sarter is undoubtedly the one compiled by Dr. (Capt., Major) Frank H. Titus. A microfilm copy (poor) designated as "FFH96" is in the Genealogical Society Library, SLC, UT; and was examined by this searcher in August of 1977.

[2]**No** proof has been presented to identify parents of William of Lebanon, CT.

by Mrs. Edward M. Bentley, in manuscript, copy of which was deposited in 1927 in the Connecticul Historical Society,[1] and **Bentley Line** by Mary Lovering Holman, in manuscript, copy deposited in The New England Historic-Genealogical Society Library about 1930.[2]

. . . for this pedigree the original records of only certain of the Rhode Island and Connecticut townships were searched.

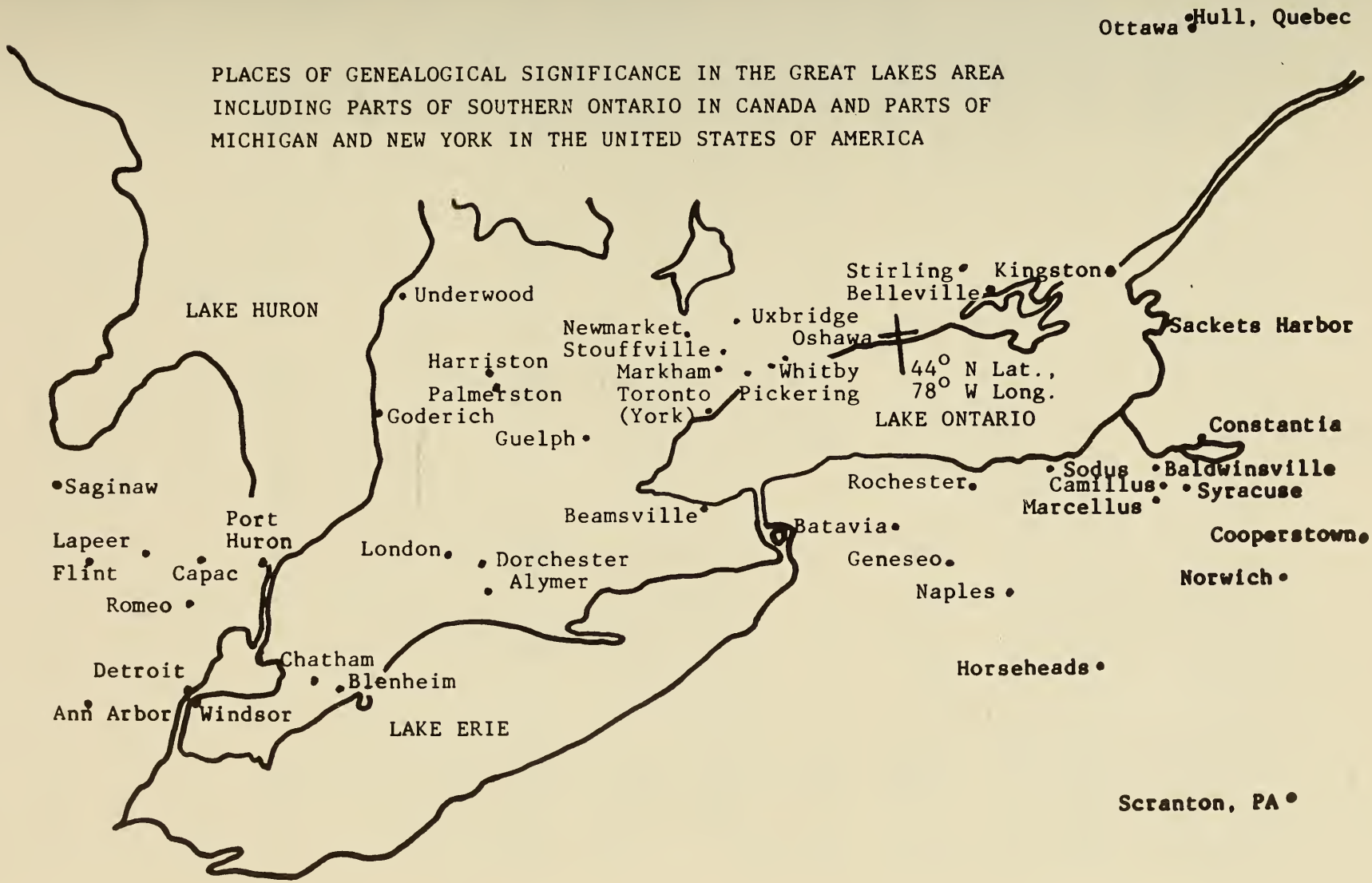
The William Bentley . . . who came on the **Ar(a)bel(l)a,** from Gravesend, England . . . May 27, 1671 . . . has been accepted by many descendants as the progenitor of the Bentleys of Rhode Island but nothing has as yet been found to substantiate this claim." The passenger list consisted of 23 names (see Be.100.).

Heads and Tails of a Half Crown, Great Britain, 1671, in the Reign of King Charles II. Size: 1⅓ x.

WILLIAM BENTLEY (X.193.) (Be:F.) of KINGS TOWN(E) (now NORTH KINGSTOWN), RHODE ISLAND, has over the years generally been accepted and considered by the historians and professional genealogists with RI interests to be the progenitor of the Rhode Island Bentleys (the progenitor of this searcher's Bentley ancestors who lived in Rhode Island).

[1] A copy was in the New England HG Society Library (1977).

[2] M. L. Holman's "manuscript" is termed the Bentley "Safe Manuscript" (#27) and is described elsewhere in the Be: Family Group.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Hull, Quebec
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Underwood
Stirling
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Belleville
Sackets Harbor
Newmarket
Uxbridge
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Markham
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78° W Long.
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(York)
Pickering
LAKE ONTARIO
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Guelph
Constantia
Sodus
Baldwinsville
Rochester
Camillus
Syracuse
Marcellus
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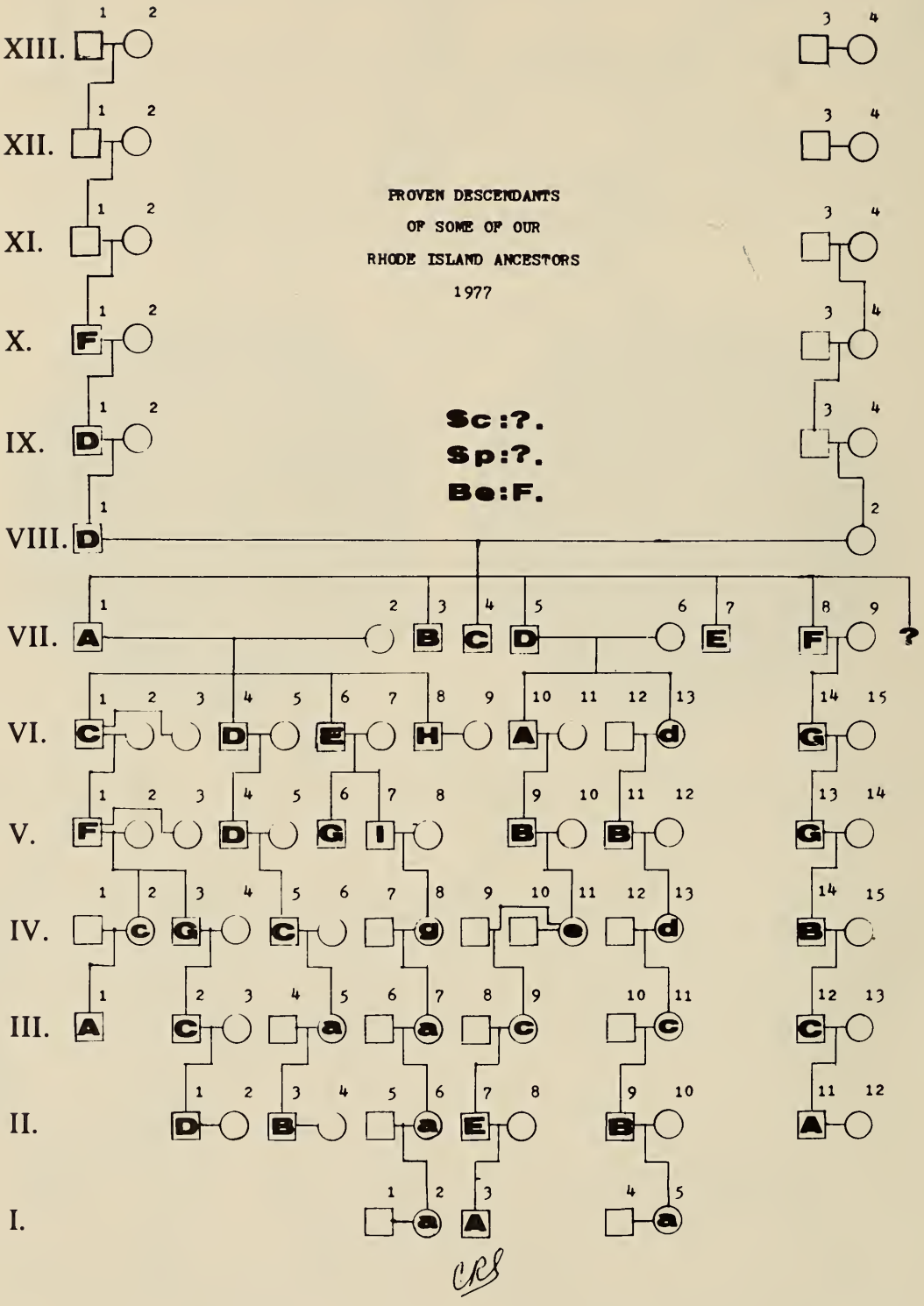
PROVEN DESCENDANTS
OF SOME OF OUR
RHODE ISLAND ANCESTORS
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Roman numerals **I.** through **XIII.** indicate the rows, beginning at the bottom of the chart. Arabic numbers indicate persons symbolized by squares and circles within a given row — squares for males and circles for females. The horizontal bond between a square and a circle indicates marriage. Offspring-to-parents connections are indicated by the vertical bonds.

Direct descendants of this Bentley Family's American Progenitor WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y of Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England, and Kings Town in the New England Colony of Rhode Island and Provindence Plantations, are indicated by capital letters for males and small letters for females, previously enciphered according to birth order. The symbols of **Be, Sp,** and **Sc** indicate Rhode Island surnames of Bentl(e)y, Shippee, and Scranton, respectively.

The main subject of this chart is **WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y, Be:F.** and **X.1.,** this compiler's Ancestor **X.193.** This compiler's ancestors' names are capitalized. Ancestral names are coded.

I.1. Wheaton, Roger George, b March 6, 1942, Dundee, Monroe Co., MI, m June 25, 1966, Ida, Monroe Co., MI, to

I.2. Berns, Karen Louise **(Be:FDDAEIgaaa.),** b August 7, 1942, Monroe Co., MI; res (1977): Ann Arbor, MI; met this previously unknown "cousin" on July 6, 1977, in the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library, Boston, MA.

I.3. Stewart, Cameron Ralph **(Be:FDDDABecEA.),** classifier, compiler, searcher, b May 31, 1927, New Ulm, MN; res (1977): Long Beach and El Monte, CA.

I.4. Davis, Dennis Earls, b November 11, 1942, Portland, OR, m October 24, 1964, Walnut Creek, CA, to

I.5. Jones, Sandra Gail **(Be:FDDDdBdcBa.),** b May 7, 1943, Alameda, CA, res (1977): Fair Oaks, CA; her query in an issue (1975) of **The Loyalist Gazette,** Toronto, caught this searcher's eye; letters and telephone contact followed in 1977.

II.1. Bentley, Roderick Bruce **(Be:FDDACFGCD.),** b January 20, 1921, Rancher-Farmer in Gove Co., KS; contacted by telephone on September 1, 1977; correspondence of September 29, 1977, Shields, KS 67874; m July 16, 1944, to

II.2. Flora, Sara Lee.

II.3. Sheppard, Caldwell Bethel **(Be:FDDADDBaB.)** (revised), res (1977): Scarborough, ON; correspondence of July 11, 1977; m

II.4. Van Dijk, Alida, b The Netherlands.

II.5. Berns, Walter William, b February 26, 1919, Raisinville Twp., Monroe Co., MI, m May 3, 1941, to

II.6. Hanson, Madelyn Eleanor **(Be:FDDAEIgaa.),** b December 6, 1923, Ann Arbor, Washtenaw Co., MI.

II.7. STEWART, RALPH JOHN **(Be:FDDDABecE., Anc. II.1.),** b March 24, 1896, Drayton, ND, m June 30, 1924, Cando, ND, to

II.8. GJERE, VINNIE MERCEDES **(Anc. II.2.),** b April 27, 1899, Hatton, ND; res (1977): New Ulm, MN.

II.9. Jones, Owen Scott **(Be:FDDDdBdcB.),** b December 20, 1912, Sheridan, Sheridan Co., WY, d August 28, 1971, Orinda, CA, bur Santa Rosa, CA, m October 30, 1937, Alameda, CA, to

II.10. Statler, Shirley Neville, b September 2, 1913, Oakland, CA.

II.11. Bentley, David Alexander, II **(Be:FDDFGFBCA.)** (revised), b March 10, 1945, San Diego, CA; res (1977): La Mesa, CA (telephone contact); m

II.12. Curtis, Carol, b February 28, 1945, Riverside, CA.

III.1. Sinclair, John **(Be:FDDACFcA.).**

III.2. Bentley, Arthur Randall **(Be:FDDACFGC.),** b January 1, 1884, Riverton, NE, d June 22, 1976, m June 4, 1913, to

III.3. Jennison, Vera.

III.4. Sheppard, Laudlow William, m

III.5. Bentley, Nina Llewella **(Be:FDDADDBa.)** (revised), b June 22, 1884; res (1977): Scarborough, ON.

III.6. Hanson, Leon Kendall, b September 20, 1881, Milan, Monroe Co., MI, d March 26, 1955, Dundee, MI, m April 6, 1921, to

III.7. Stuart, Jessie May **(Be:FDDAEIga.),** b February 19, 1890, Milan, MI.

III.8. STEWART, JOHN C. **(Anc. III.1.),** b August 25, 1857, Harriston, Minto Twp., Wellington Co., ON, Canada, m June 18, 1885, Dakota Territory, U.S.A., to

III.9. SARLES, SARAH ELIZABETH **(Be:FDDDABec., Anc. III.2.),** b November 5, 1859, Whitby Twp., Ontario Co., ON, Canada, d October 11, 1949, bur Drayton, ND.

III.10. Jones, McMillan, b February 7, 1877, Paris, IL, d July 27, 1917, m March 3, 1907, Santa Rosa, CA, to

III.11. Gilbert, Marie Caroline **(Be:FDDDdBdc.),** b January 1, 1879, Nichols, Muscatine Co., IA, d 6.15.1946, San Francisco, CA, bur Santa Rosa, CA.

III.12. Bentley, David Alexander **(Be:FDDFGFBC.)** (revised), b April 17, 1909, San Diego, CA, m

III.13. Moore, Frances Katherine, b NJ.

IV.1. Sinclair, Duncan, writer of the manuscript entitled "The Life and Ancestry of Randall Spencer Bentley, Late of the Township of Markham, County of York, but Now of the Township of South Dorchester County of Elgin, Province of Ontario, Canada" (written ca 1890), named "Bedfordshire" as the English origin of our English-American Bentley ancestor; res (1890's): Meaford, ON; m

IV.2. Bentley, Maria **(Be:FDDACFc.),** b April 29, 1827, Ontario, Canada.

IV.3. Bentley, Randall Spencer, Jr. **(Be:FDDACFG.),** b Markham, ON, m February 24, 1876, St. Vincent, ON, to

IV.4. Laycock, Sarah Elizabeth, b November 1, 1848, Ontario, Canada, d 1952, ae 102 y; res was Valhalla, Cove Co., KS.

IV.5. Bentley, Lafayette **(Be:FDDADDB.)** (revised), b October 1849, Brougham, ON, d August 14, 1928, bur Brougham, ON, m

IV.6. Smith, Helena, b Pickering, ON.

IV.7. Stuart, Nathan Adelbert, b April 19, 1858, London Twp, Monroe Co., MI; d August 7, 1937, Ann Arbor, MI; m

IV.8. Bentley, Alina Maria **(Be:FDDAEIg.)**, b August 22, 1862, Azalia, Monroe Co., MI, d 1.29.1941, MI.

IV.9. SARLES, JOHN **(Anc. IV.3.)**, b February 15, 1830, d August 31, 1860, bur Ashburn, Ontario Co., ON, Canada; m September 17, 1850, Pickering, ON, to ALMIRA HANNAH BENTLEY (her first marriage).

IV.10. Winmill, James, b 1835, QU, d 1920, ON; res was Huron Co., ON; m January 17, 1861, Ashburn, Whitby Twp, Ontario Co., Ontario, Canada, to ALMIRA HANNAH BENTLEY (her second marriage).

IV.11. BENTLEY, ALMIRA HANNAH **(Be:FDDDABe., Anc. IV.4.)**, b 1833, d 1922, bur Huron Co., ON; moved from Whitby Twp, Ontario Co., to West Wawanosh Twp, Huron Co., ON, ca 1875.

IV.12. Gilbert, Winfield Scott, b June 2, 1846, Muscatine Co., IA, d November 21, 1919, Oakland, CA; m January 1, 1868, to

IV.13. Bamford, Amanda Caroline **(Be:FDDDdBd.)**, b 3.18.1851, Muscatine Co., IA.

IV.14. Bentley, William Harvey **(Be:FDDFGFB.)** (revised), b October 20, 1860, Ottumwa, IA; res (1927): Coronado, CA; m 1895, IA, to

IV.15. Stuart, Rosena, b 12.1.1866, Clarinda, IA.

V.1. Bentley, Randall Spencer, Sr. **(Be:FDDACF.)**, b 1800, d October 13, 1893, m

V.2. Barclay, Jane, b 8.22.1803.

V.3. Ogilvie, Helen (widow Scott), b 1804.

V.4. Bentley, James L. **(Be:FDDADD.)**, b (calc.) March 17, 1813, d March 30, 1867, Uxbridge, ON, m

V.5. Crawford, Clarinda.

V.6. Bentley, Isaac, Jr. **(Be:FDDAEG.)**, b June 29, 1818, Van Buren, Onondaga Co., NY; wrote in his letter of 1861 that his grandfather's brother SAMUEL "went to Canada."

V.7. Bentley, Colonel Reynolds **(Be:FDDAEI.)**, b October 15, 1823, Onondaga Co., NY, d August 11, 1897, Monroe Co., MI, m October 18, 1847, to

V.8. Flower, Lucretia Maria, b May 22, 1826, Ashfield, MA.

V.9. BENTLEY, MIRON **(Be:FDDDAB., Anc. V.7.)**, d January 19, 1844, at age 45 y, bur Brougham, Pickering Twp, Ontario Co., ON, Canada; m January 7, 1823, Markham, York County, ON, to

V.10. BADGEROW, HANNAH (Anc. V.8.), b 12.22.1802, d January 10, 1885, bur Brougham, ON.

V.11. Bamford, Samuel Bentley **(Be:FDDDdB.)**, b October 23, 1808, Genesee Co., NY, d November 23, 1894, Santa Rosa, Sonoma Co., CA, m Perryville, Vermillion Co., IN, to

V.12. Ray, Caroline, b 1817, OH, d March 25, 1875, Muscatine, IA.

V.13. Bentley, William **(Be:FDDFGF.)** (revised), b 1831, d 1910 in Havensville, KS; m 1856, Ottumwa, IA, to

V.14. Shaul, Malinda Caroline, b December 1, 1835, Hamilton Co., IN.

VI.1 Bentley, William **(Be:FDDAC.),** b January 27, 1773 (not on the often-quoted mistaken-date of January 27, 1768); petitioned for land in Markham (Twp, York Co., Ontario) in 1800; native of West Greenwich, RI; m twice.

VI.2. Gard(i)ner, Hannah, d ca June, 1800, mother of William Bentley's children.

VI.3. "Anonymous," Anna, named in Markham (ON), 1804, and in West Greenwich, RI, January 31, 1829, as wife of William Bentley.

VI.4. Bentley, Nathan **(Be:FDDAD.),** b January 24, 1777, West Greenwich (RI), m July 6, 1801, East Greenwich, RI, to

VI.5. Nichols, Mercy, b February 8, 1780, East Greenwich, RI.

VI.6. Bentley, Isaac R. **(Be:FDDAE.),** b February 28, 1779, West Greenwich (RI); m September 23, 1804, West Greenwich, RI, to

VI.7. Reynolds, Martha, b April 20, 1781, Kingstown, RI.

VI.8. Bentley, Spencer **(Be:FDDAH.),** b April 23, 1787, West Greenwich, RI, d July 22, 1811, West Greenwich, RI, bur Bentley Burial Ground east of Hopkins Hill Road in West Greenwich, Kent Co., RI; tombstone inscription identified wife as

VI.9. Bissell, Betsey, d 1872, ae 84 y.

VI.10. BENTLEY, REUBEN **(Be:FDDDA., Anc. VI.13.)**, b ca 1773 (unk. loc.); lived in Markham, ON, after 1800; d unk. date and unk. place; m

VI.11. "Anonymous," POLLY **(Anc. VI.14.),** b ca 1775 (unk. loc.), d unk. date and unk. place.

VI.12. Bamford, Moses, lived in Ontario and in NY; d ae 55 y, IN; named as a "son-in-law" in SAMUEL BENTLEY'S Land Petition in Markham (ON), 1800; m

VI.13. Bentley, "Anonymous" **(Be:FDDDd.),** of "English-Scotch descent;" . . . "d at age 40."

VI.14. Bentley, Gideon, Jr. **(Be:FDDFG.),** b 1793, NY, d 1871, m MD,

VI.15. Wheeler, Harriet, b 1799, d 1885, Pike Co., IL.

VII.1. Bentley, Caleb **(Be:FDDA.),** b August 25, 1739, Exeter (RI); Revolutionary War Patriot, d December 20, 1825 (RI); m

VII.2. Spencer, Leah, d ae 83 y, January 25, 1826, West Greenwich, RI.

VII.3. Bentley, Joseph **(Be:FDDB.),** b March 25, 1941, Exeter, RI; went to NY.

VII.4. Bentley, Thomas **(Be:FDDC.),** b January 4, 1743, Exeter, RI; went to NY.

VII.5. BENTLEY, SAMUEL **(Be:FDDD., Anc. VII.25.),** b January 4, 1746, Exeter (RI); Loyalist during the Revolutionary War; petitioned for Canadian land in Markham (ON), 1800; identified as (1) REUBEN'S father, (2) William's uncle, (3) MIRON'S grandfather, (4) Caleb's brother, and (5) BENJAMIN'S son.

VII.6. "Anonymous," probably Scotch or of Scotch descent.

VII.7. Bentley, Benjamin **(Be:FDDE.),** b May 5, 1749, Exeter (RI); believed to have remained in RI.

VII.8. Bentley, Gideon **(Be:FDDF.),** b August 12, 1750, Exeter (RI); Revolutionary War Patriot; d January 20, 1858, ae 107 y, Constantia, Oswego Co., NY.

VII.9. Neagers (or Negus), Elizabeth, of North Kingstown (RI).

VII.10. Bentley, "Anonymous" **(Be:FDD?.).**

VIII.1. BENTLEY, BENJAMIN, JR. **(Be:FDD., Anc. VIII.49.),** of Exeter, RI, son of THOMAS, b July 5, 1714, father of seven offspring; m

VIII.2. SHIPPEE, SARAH **(Anc. VIII.50),** of East Greenwich, RI.

IX.1. BENTLEY, THOMAS **(Be:FD., Anc. IX.97.),** son of WILLIAM, b June 19, 1685; father of BENJAMIN; d 1778 (Be200.); m

IX.2. "CHAMBERLAND," ELIZABETH. **(Anc. IX.98.)**; "CHAMBERL(A)IN."

IX.3. SHIPPEE, SAMUEL **(Anc. IX.99.),** m December 29, 1702, East Greenwich (RI), to

IX.4. LI(T)CHFIELD, ANN(E) **(Anc. IX.100.),** b August 18, 1678, Dorchester, MA, **dtr** of THOMAS **(Anc. X.199)** and MARY (-----) **(Anc. X.200)** Long **LICHFIELD** Hooper of Boston and Dorchester a captive and slave of Turkish pirates of the Barbary Coast (1682±). For "Lichfield" see pp 1760 & 1800, Sp 52. A. & B.

X.1. BENTL(E)Y, WILLIAM **(Be:F., Anc. X.193.),** of Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England, and Kings Town (RI). Unidentified source(s) for incongruency to be found among these three proofs (ref. no. for source of doc. evid.): (1) born in Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England, d in Kings Town (RI) ae **83 y 11 d,** husband of SARAH and father of THOMAS ("Born June ye 19 dy - 1685") (Belll.) (1978); (2) d Kings Town (RI), before **July 11, 1720,** husband of SARAH, father of THOMAS (Be201.); and (3) son of JOHN and grandson of WILLIAM and first-cousin of John Bunyan; Christened **September 13, 1640,** Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England (Be162., Be172.), m

X.2. "Anonymous," SARAH **(Anc. X.194.),** of Kings Town (RI), d December 28, 1731.

X.3. SHIPPEE, DAVID **(Anc. X.197.),** of "Maidfeilds," in "England," and Warwick (RI); m August 15, 1664, Warwick (RI), to

X.4. SCRANTON, MARGARET **(Anc. X.198.),** "of Prudence, late of Warwick" (RI).

XI.1. BENTL(E)Y, JOHN **(Anc. XI.385.),** of Elstow and Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England; Christened November 5, 1608, Elstow, Bedfordshire, England; buried March 26, 1666, Ampthill; m October 3, 1630, Ampthill, Bedfordshire, to

XI.2. BETTS, MARY **(Anc. XI.386.).**

XI.3. SCRANTON, THOMAS **(Anc. XI.395.),** bought a house in Warwick (RI), November 26, 1657; m

XI.4. "Anonymous," MARY **(Anc. XI.396.).**

XII.1. BENTL(E)Y, WILLIAM **(Anc. XII.769.),** Bedford, Bedfordshire, England, m May 18/20, 1601, Bedford, St. Paul's, England (Be162A., Be162B.).

XII.2. GOODWIN, MARY **(Anc. XII.770.),** bur July 1, 1632 (widow).

XII.3.

XII.4.

XIII.1. BENTL(E)Y, unknown.

XIII.2.

XIII.3.

XIII.4.

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Ev'ry state has something
Its Rotary Club can boast of
Some product that the state produces the most of.
Rhode Island is little, but oh my,
It has a product anyone would buy.

Copper comes from Arizona,
Peaches come from Georgia
And lobsters come from Maine.
The wheatfields are the sweetfields of Nebraska
And Kansas gets Bonanzas from the grain.
Old whiskey comes from old Kentucky,
Ain't the country lucky?
New Jersey gives us glue,
And you, you come from Rhode Island,
And little old Rhode Island is famous for you!

Cotton comes from Loosiana,
Gophers from Montana
And spuds from Idaho.
They plough land in the cowland of Missouri,
Where most beef meant for roast beef seems to grow.
Grand Canyons come from Colorado,
Gold comes from Nevada,
Divorces also do,
And you, you come from Rhode Island,
And little old Rhode Island is famous for you!

Pencils come from Pencilvania,
Vests from Vest Virginia
And tents from Tentasee.
They know mink where they grow mink in Wyomink.
A camp chair in New Hampchair, that's for me.
And minnows come from Minnowsota,
Coats come from Dacoata.
But why should you be blue,
For you, you come from Rhode Island,
Don't let them ride Rhode Island, it's famous for you!

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Be:F. WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y, X.193., THE PROGENITOR
Fa. Jane Bentl(e)y
Faa. Alice Wightman
Faaa. Lydia Harrington
FaaaA. John Wilcox
FaaaAA. Thurston Wilcox
FaaaAb. Lydia Wilcox
FaaaAC. Daniel Wilcox
FaaaAd. Mary Wilcox
FaaaAe. Deliverance Wilcox
FaaaB. Job Wilcox
FaaaBA. Asa Wilcox
FaaaBB. Nathan Wilcox
FaaaBc. Esther Wilcox
FaaaBca. Betty Ensworth
FaaaBcb. Esther Ensworth
FaaaBcC. Joseph Ensworth
FaaaBcD. Job Wilcox Ensworth
FaaaBD. Simon Wilcox
FaaaBe. Eunice Wilcox
FaaaBF. Job Wilcox
FaaaBG. Harrington Wilcox
FaaaBh. Mary Wilcox
FaaaBi. Prudence Wilcox
FaaaBJ. Gates Wilcox
FaaaBk. Hannah Wilcox
FaaaBL. Thurston Wilcox
Fab. Sarah Wightman
FaC. John Wightman
FaD. James Wightman
Fae. Jane Wightman
Faea. Deliverance Hall Spink
FaeB. Robe (?) Spink
FaeC. Ishmael Spink
FaeD. Robert Spink
Faee. Dinah Spink
Faef. Waite Spink
FaeG. Samuel Spink
Faeh. Alice Spink
FaehA. James Gardiner
FaehB. Henry Gardiner
FaehC. Lodowick Gardiner
FaehD. John Gardiner
FaehE. Varnum Gardiner
FaehF. William Gard(i)ner
FaehFA. William Gardiner (Jr.)
FaehFB. Ira Gardiner
FaehFc. Harriet Gardiner
FaehFD. Elias Gardner
FaehFDA. Walter Elias Gardner
FaehFDb. Harriet Elizabeth Gardner
FaehFDc. Mary A. Gardner
FaehFDd. Mary Amelia Gardiner
FaehFDe. Nancy Mariat Gardiner
FaehFDF. Henry Erastus Stanley Gardner
FaehFDg. Permelia F. Gardner
FaehFDH. William K. Gardner
FaehFDi. Betsy Anne Gardner
FaehFDj. Vilate Gardner
FaehFDk. Betsy Anne Gardner
FaehFDl. Susan Lucretia Gardner
FaehFDm. Martha Ann Gardner
FaehFDN. Charles Gardner
FaehFDO. Elias Gardner
FaehFDP. Benjamin Gardner
FaehFDQ. Joseph Gardiner
FaehFDR. John Gardner
FaehFDS. James Gardner
FaehFDt. Lorena Jane Gardner
FaehFDu. Ellen Elizabeth Gardner
FaehFDv. Marilla Gardner
FaehFDw. Emmeline Gardner
FaehFDx. Ruth Etta Gardner
FaehFDY. John William Gardner
FaehFDZ. Joshua Abbott Gardner
FaehFDA'. Nathaniel Gardner
FaehFDb'. Lois Ann Gardner
FaehFDc'. Eliza Roxanna Gardner
FaehFDD'. George Gardner
FaehFDe'. Ena May Gardner
FaehFDf'. Emily Gardner
FaehFDg'. Mary Rosetta Gardner
FaehFDH'. Thomas Francis Gardner
FaehFDH'A. Duane Curtis Gardner
FaehFDH'B. Samuel Neal Gardner
FaehFDH'C. Leroy Gardner
FaehFDH'd. Mildred Gardner
FaehFDH'e. Ruby Mae Gardner
FaehFDH'ea. Laverna Mae Kempton
FaehFDH'eaA. Lyle Dee Willis

FaehFDH'eaB. Keith Lynn Willis
FaehFDH'eaC. Steven Lynn Willis
FaehFDH'eaD. Bryon Lee Willis
FaehFDH'eae. Deanna Willis
FaehFDH'eaf. Annett Marie Willis
FaehFDH'eaG. Wayne Archie Willis
FaehFDH'eb. Lanetta Fae Kempton
FaehFDH'eC. Ira Thomas Kempton
FaehFDH'eCA. Thomas Neal Kempton
FaehFDH'eD. Milford William Kempton, Jr.
FaehFDH'eDa. Danielle Kempton
FaehFDH'eDB. Brandon Nathaniel Kempton
FaehFDH'eDc. Stacie Kempton
FaehFDH'eDd. Tracie Kempton
FaehFDH'F. Harvey Thomas Gardner
FaehFDH'FA. Harvey Adan Gardner
FaehFDH'Fb. Kay Gardner
FaehFDH'Fc. Joan Gardner
FaehFDH'FD. Marshall Kim Gardner
FaehFDH'Fe. Frances Gardner
FaehFDH'FF. Rickey Duane Gardner
FaehFDH'Fg. Judy Gardner
FaehFDH'FH. Jay Nevin Gardner
FaehFDH'FI. Marvin Keith Gardner
FaehFDH'G. Luther Gardner
FaehFDI'. Franklin Gardner
FaehFDJ'. Orawell Gardner
FaehFDK'. Lewis Edward Gardner
FaehFDl'. Harriet Gardner
FaehFDM'. Ira Gardner
FaehFDn'. Iris Gardner
FaehFDo'. Annie Gardner
FaehFDp'. Elizabeth Gardner
FaehFDq'. Martha Jane Gardner
FaehFDr'. Varona Gardner
FaehFE. George Gardner
FaehG. Benjamin Gardiner
Faehh. Clarissa Gardiner
Faehi. Hannah Gardiner
FaeI. William Spink
FaeJ. John Spink
Faf. Mary Wightman
FaG. Valentine Wightman
Fah. Deborah Wightman
FB. William Bentl(e)y
FBA. John Bentley
FBB. George Bentley
FBBA. John Bentley
FBBb. Mary Bentley
FBBC. Abial Bentley
FBBD. George Bentley
FBBe. Elizabeth Bentley
FBBf. Abigail Bentley
FBBg. Mary Bentley
FBBH. Caleb Bentley
FBBHA. Uriah Bentley
FBBHAa. Jenny (?) Bentley
FBBHAb. Sally Bentley
FBBHAC. Uriah Bentley
FBBHAd. Sybil Bentley
FBBHAE. Hiram Bentley
FBBHAF. Simeon Bentley
FBBHAG. Alexander Bentley
FBBHAGA. Sardius DeLancey Bentley
FBBHAGAA. Cogswell Bentley
FBBHAGAB. Alexander Norton Bentley
FBBHAGAC. Harold Dudley Bentley
FBBHAGAD. DeLancey Bentley
FBBHAGAE. Charles Raymond Bentley
FBBHAGAEA. Charles Raymond Bentley, Jr.
FBBHAGAEb. Martha Hartwell Bentley
FBBHAGAF. Livingston Bentley
FBBHAGB. Gustavus Adolphus Bentley
FBBHAGC. Charles Martin Bentley
FBBHAGD. Uriah Bentley
FBBHAH. Gustavus Bentley
FBBHAi. Ulrica Bentley
FBBHAj. Minerva Bentley
FBBHB. William Bentley
FBBHC. William Bentley
FBBHD. Caleb Bentley
FBBHE. Darius Bentley
FBBHF. Cyrus Bentley
FBBHG. Alexander Bentley
FBBHh. Mary Bentley
FBBHhA. Darius Bentley Smith
FBBHhAA. James Smith
FBBHhAAa. Elthea Smith
FBBHhB. Rowland C. Smith
FBBHhC. Nelson D. Smith
FBBHhd. Mary Elizabeth Smith
FBBHhdA. Jerome Reynolds
FBBHhdB. George Reynolds
FBBHhdC. James Reynolds
FBBHhe. Sarah Frances Smith
FBBHheA. Daniel Smith Cummings
FBBHheAA. Roy Cummings
FBBHheAb. Elsie Cummings
FBBHheb. Elthea Cummings
FBBHheC. John Howard Cummings

FBBHheD. Hiram Mortimer Cummings
FBBHheDA. John Howard Cummings
FBBHhee. Annah Cummings
FBBHheeA. Frederick Harlow
FBBHheeb. Fanny Harlow
FBBHheeC. Philip Harlow
FBBHheeD. E. George Harlow
FBBHheeE. A. Page Harlow
FBBHhee??. Elthea Harlow
FBBHhee???. (anon.) Pascoe
FBBHhef. Clara Jane Cummings
FBBHheG. George Reynolds Cummings
FBBHheGA. (anon.) Cummings
FBBHhF. William G. Smith
FBBHhg. Jane Hulett Smith
FBBHhga. Frances Blodgett
FBBHhH. John I. Smith
FBBHhHa. Lulu Smith
FBBHhHb. Florence Smith
FBBHhHC. Nathaniel Smith
FBBHhI. Andrew J. Smith
FBBHhJ. Nathaniel K. Smith
FBBHhJa. Emma Smith
FBBHhJaA. Harry Gile
FBBHhJaB. Fred Gile
FBBHhJac. Nellie Gile
FBBHhJad. Leta Gile
FBBHhJaE. Glen Gile
FBBHhk. Lois L. Smith
FBBHhkA. Ansel Badger
FBBHhkb. Lois Badger
FBBHhkba. Martha Ann VanAuken
FBBHhL. Hiram W. Smith
FBBHhM. Benjamin Nathaniel Smith
FBBHhMa. Julia Smith
FBBHhMb. Louise Smith
FBBHhMC. Benjamin Smith
FBBHhMd. Theresa Bentley Smith
FBBHI. Rudolphus Bentley
FBBHj. Betsey Bentley
FBBHK. Melancton Bentley
FBBHKa. Caroline Maria Bentley
FBBHKb. Caroline Bentley
FBBHKc. Eunice Mary Bentley
FBBHKd. Amanda Bentley
FBBHKE. Caleb Bentley
FBBHKEa. Eva Grace Bentley
FBBHKEb. Janie Blanche Bentley
FBBHKEc. Zella May Bentley
FBBHKED. William Osberto Bentley
FBBHKF. David R. Bentley
FBBHKg. Minnie Bentley
FBBHKH. William M. Bentley
FBBi. Ruth Bentley
FBBJ. Ezekial Bentley
FBc. Elizabeth Bentley
FBD. Caleb Bentley
FBDA. Oliver Bentley
FBDb. Elizabeth Bentley
FBDbA. Lawdwick Taber
FBDC. Gideon Bentley
FBDd. Dorcas Bentley
FBDE. Caleb Bentley
FBDEA. Samuel Bentley
FBDEAa. Abigail Bentley
FBDEAB. Simeon A. Bentley
FBDEAC. Almon(d) Bentley
FBDEAd. Olive Bentley
FBDEAE. Alfred Bentley
FBDEAf. Sally Ann Bentley
FBDEAg. Lucy Bentley
FBDEAh. Martha Bentley
FBDEAI. Samuel Bentley
FBDEAJ. Calvin Bentley
FBDEAJA. Emery J. Bentley
FBDEAJb. Celestia Bentley
FBDEAJC. Myron Bentley
FBDEAK. Arnold George Bentley
FBDEAL. Alanson R. Bentley
FBDEAM. Gar(d)ner Bentley
FBDEAN. Gustavus Bentley
FBDEANa. Ellen J. Bentley
FBDEANB. Willis G. Bentley
FBDEAO. Augustus Bentley
FBDEAOA. Almond H. Bentley
FBDEAOAA. Raymond D. Bentley
FBDEAOAb. Mary Birdena Bentley
FBDEAP. Edwin Bentley
FBDEAPA. Sherwood Bentley
FBDEAPb. Lura Myrtilla Bentley
FBDEAPc. Alice Marilla Bentley
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FBDEAPf. Edna Marie Bentley
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FBDEAPGC. Edwin Harold Bentley
FBDEAPGCA. Kendall Leroy Bentley
FBDEAPGCb. Sherryl Sue Bentley
FBDEAPGCC. Edwin Meredith Bentley
FBDEAPGCD. Marshall Kaye Bentley
FBDEAPGCe. Layna Beth Bentley
FBDEAPGD. John Pierce Bentley
FBDEAPGE. Kenneth Harrison Bentley

FBDEAPGF. Donald Francis Bentley
FBDEAPGg. Leona Edith Bentley
FBDEAPGH. Harry Sherwood Bentley
FBDEAPH. Ansel Oakes Bentley
FBDEAPI. Rodney Bentley
FBDEAPJ. William Arnold Bentley
FBDEAq. Nancy Ann Bentley
FBDEAr. Marietta Bentley
FBDEB. William North(r)up Bentley
FBDEBA. William N. Bentley
FBDEBb. Maria Louise Bentley
FBDEBc. Rhoda Maria Bentley
FBDEBD. Cyrus Bentley
FBDEBe. Ancelia Bentley
FBDEBf. Nancy Bentley
FBDEBG. Frederick J. Bentley
FBDEBh. Mary A. Bentley
FBDEC. Gideon Bentley
FBDED. John Bentley
FBDEE. Cyrus Bentley
FBDEf. Deborah Bentley
FBDEg. Anna Bentley
FBDEH. Arnold Bentley
FBDEi. Polly Bentley
FBDf. Anna Bentley
FBDfa. Susannah Coldgrove
FBDfb. Dorcas Coldgrove
FBDfc. Sarah Coldgrove
FBDfD. Russell Coldgrove
FBDG. William Bentley
FBDH. John Bentley
FBDHA. Benjamin Bentley
FBDi. Mary Bentley
FBDj. Penelope Bentley
FBDk. Waite Bentley
FBDl. Sarah Bentley
FBDM. Gould Bentley
FBDN. Thomas Bentley
FBDO. Ezekial Bentley
FBDP. Ebenezer Bentley
FBDQ. Gideon Bentley
FBDQA. Benedict Bentley
FBDR. Norman Bentley
FBDS. Arnold Bentley
FBDt. Tabithy Bentley
FBE. Ezekial Bentley
FBf. Tabitha Bentley
FBg. Ruhama Bentley
FBh. Mary Bentley
FBI. William Bentley
FBJ. Thomas Bentley
FBK. James Bentley
FBL. Greene Bentley
FBLa. Eunice Bentley
FBLaA. Thaddeus Bennett
FBLab. Mary Bennett
FBLac. Rhoda Bennett
FBLad. Betty Bennett
FBLae. Sarah Bentley Bennett
FBLaF. Benjamin Bentley Bennett
FBLaFa. Christina Bennett
FBLaFB. Jasper Bennett
FBLaFc. Ellen Marilla Bennett
FBLaFD. Jehial Bennett
FBLaFDa. Caroline Bennett
FBLaFDB. Benjamin Bentley Bennett
FBLaFDBa. Margaret Bennett
FBLaFDBaa. Dora L. Warren
FBLaFDBaB. Robert L. Warren
FBLaFDC. Martin Luther Bennett
FBLaFDD. James S. Bennett
FBLaFDE. Samuel L. Bennett
FBLaFDEa. Ora Frances Bennett
FBLaFDEb. Mary Alice Bennett
FBLaFDEba. Vivian Viola Bunnell
FBLaFDEbB. Albert Virgil Bunnell
FBLaFDEbC. Theodore Bunnell
FBLaFDEbD. Rollo LaVerne Bunnell
FBLaFDEC. Albert Clinton Bennett
FBLaFDED. Newton Alexander Bennett
FBLaFDEe. Cora Kay Bennett
FBLaFDEF. Horace Theodore Bennett
FBLaFDEg. Sarah Frances Bennett
FBLaFDEh. Martha Ellen Bennett
FBLaFDEI. Benjamin Harrison Bennett
FBLaFDEJ. Frederick Samuel Bennett
FBLaFDF. William Jefferson Bennett
FBLaFDG. Charles Clinton Bennett
FBLaFe. Clara Bennett
FBLaFF. Jefferson Bennett
FBLaFg. Demeray Bennett
FBLaFH. George Clinton Bennett
FBLaG. Joseph Bennett
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FBLaI. Jehial Bennett
FBLb. Hannah Bentley
FBLbA. Samuel Bennett
FBLbB. Thomas Strait Bennett
FBLbc. Susannah Bennett
FBLbd. Margaret Bennett
FBLbe. Elizabeth Bennett
FBLbea. Minerva Mills

FBLbeb. Clarissa Mills
FBLbeC. George Mills
FBLbed. Melinda Mills
FBLbeE. Andrew Jackson Mills
FBLbef. Cynthia B. Mills
FBLbefA. Burr Noble
FBLbefAA. Claud Noble
FBLbefAB. Wynn Noble
FBLbefAc. Pearl Noble
FBLbefAcA. Wilhelm Abramson
FBLbefAcB. Michel Abramson
FBLbefAcC. Burton Avery Noble Abramson
FBLbefAcd. Helen Elizabeth Abramson
FBLbefAd. Helen Maude Noble
FBLbefAE. Paul Bliss (?) Noble
FBLbefB. Jay Noble
FBLbefC. Penn Noble
FBLbefd. Maud Noble
FBLbeG. (anon.) Mills
FBLbeH. Lafayette Mills
FBLbeI. George Mills
FBLbej. Jane Mills
FBLbf. Polly Bennett
FBLbG. Asher Knox Bennett
FBLbh. Sally Bennett
FBLbI. Greene Bentley Bennett
FBLbj. Millia Bennett
FBLbK. Harry Bennett
FBLbL. Brant Bennett
FBLbM. Charles Bennett
FBLc. Sarah Bentley
FBLca. Rebecca Coryell
FBLcB. Michael B. Coryell
FBLcC. James Coryell
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FBLcE. Daniel Coryell
FBLcf. Jane Coryell
FBLcg. Susan Coryell
FBLch. Clarise Coryell
FBLch?. (anon.) Titus
FBLD. Benjamin Bentley
FBLD? **(anon.) Bentley**
FBLD?. (anon.) Bentley
FBLDc. Bathsheba Bentley
FBLDcA. Elmore Bacon
FBLDcb. Mary Bacon
FBLDcC. Horace Bacon
FBLDcd. Almira Bacon
FBLDcdA. William Riley Deputy
FBLDcdb. Melissa M. Deputy
FBLDcdC. Alonzo G. Deputy
FBLDcdD. Addison H. Deputy
FBLDcde. Amelia Quintina Deputy
FBLDcdf. Mary Elizabeth Deputy
FBLDcdfa. Elsie Sylvia Patton
FBLDcdfB. Clemence Armand Patton
FBLDcdfc. Maude Arzella Patton
FBLDcdfD. William Thomas Patton
FBLDcdfe. Luella May Patton
FBLDcdfea. Gladys Irene Hawkman
FBLDcdfeb. Edith Frances Hawkman
FBLDcdfeba. Frances Louise Dingman
FBLDcdfebB. Harvey Layton Dingman
FBLDcdfebBA. Justin Lee Dingman
FBLDcdfebBAA. Jack Layton Dingman
FBLDcdfec. Edna Rosa Hawkman
FBLDcdfed. Elsa Hawkman
FBLDcdff. Bertha Taylor Patton
FBLDcdg. Martha C. Deputy
FBLDcdH. Ulysses O. Deputy
FBLDcdi. Luella C. Deputy
FBLDcdJ. Hazelton E. Deputy
FBLDcE. Daniel Bacon
FBLDcF. Benjamin Bacon
FBLDcG. Horatio Bacon
FBLDch. Emeline Bacon
FBLDcI. Martin Bacon
FBLDcj. Mercy Bacon
FBLDck. Emily Bacon
FBLDcl. Mary Jeannette Bacon
FBLD?. (anon.) Bentley
FBLDE. Bethuel Bentley
FBLDEA. Wallace Bentley
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FBLDGk. Loretta Bentley
FBLDGL. John Bentley
FBLDGM. Charley Bentley
FBLDH. Green(e) Bentley

FBLDHa. Eliza Bentley
FBLDHaa. Mahala Sealy
FBLDHaB. Benjamin Sealy
FBLDHac. Mariette Sealy
FBLDHad. Sarahette Sealy
FBLDHb. Mariah Bentley
FBLDHc. Deborah Bentley
FBLDHD. Benjamin Bentley
FBLDHE. Dauphin Bentley
FBLDHf. Daphne Bentley
FBLDHG. Bethuel Bentley
FBLDHH. Albert Bentley
FBLDHi. Ellen Bentley
FBLDHJ. Farren Bentley
FBLDHk. Mary Ann Bentley
FBLDi. Mary Ann Bentley
FBLDia. Martha Jane Prutsman
FBLDiaA. Edward Bruce Brown
FBLDiB. Christian Prutsman
FBLDiBa. Myra Knox Prutsman
FBLDiBb. Jennie Prutsman
FBLDiBc. Angeline Prutsman
FBLDic. Mary Prutsman
FBLDiD. Harland Prutsman
FBLDie. Henrietta Prutsman
FBLDiea. Edith Harland Patterso
FBLDieB. Robert Melville Patterson
FBLDiF. Melville Prutsman
FBLDiFa. Mary Annie Prutsman
FBLDiFB. Harland Bentley Prutsman
FBLDiFc. Rose Maria Prutsman
FBLDiFd. Ruby Alina Prutsman
FBLDiFE. Robert Eden Prutsman
FBLDj. Mercy Bentley
FBLDjA. John Youngman
FBLDjb. Mary Ann Youngman
FBLD?. (anon.) Bentley
FBLDL. Benoni Bentley
FBLDLa. Melinda Bentley
FBLDLaA. Roba Hill
FBLDLb. Marion Bentley
FBLDLc. Seneca Bentley
FBLDLD. Elisha T. Bentley
FBLDM. James Bentley
FBLDN. Ephraim B. Bentley
FBLDO. Elisha Tucker Bentley
FBLDOA. Ephraim James Bentley
FBLDOb. Fanny Alice Bentley
FBLDObA. Lee Bentley Moore
FBLDObB. Max LaBarre Moore
FBLDObBA. Leroy Bentley Moore
FBLDObBB. Lee Winfield Moore
FBLDObc. Mary Elizabeth Moore
FBLDObca. Elsie Mildren Denton
FBLDOc. Ella Dorcas Bentley
FBLDOcA. Frank Bentley Merrick
FBLDOcb. Myra Evilene Merrick
FBLDOcc. Anna Gertrude Merrick
FBLDOd. Flora Elma Bentley
FBLDOdA. Raymond Bentley Mix
FBLDOdB. David Cameron Mix
FBLDOdc. Fanny Elma Mix
FBLDOE. Solon M. Bentley
FBLDOF. Winfield Scott Bentley
FBLe. Dianna Bentley
FBLf. Rhoda Bentley
FBLfa. Catherine Teeples
FBLfb. Ocey Teeples
FBLfC. Jcob Teeples, Jr.
FBLfD. George Bentley Teeples
FBLfDa. Harriet Elvira Teeples
FBLfDB. Abner Seeley Teeples
FBLfDC. William Randolph Teeples
FBLfDD. Sidney Rigdon Teeples
FBLfDDA. Henry George Teeples
FBLfDDb. Margaret Hulda Teeples
FBLfDDC. Sidney Paul Teeples
FBLfDDd. Janet Nicholous Teeples
FBLfDDe. Ellison Gourley Teeples
FBLfDDea. Ladorna Ellison Larson
FBLfDDeB. Lloyd Anthony Larson
FBLfDDeBa. LaDorna Ellison Larson
FBLfDDeBaa. Jorli Perine
FBLfDDeBaaA. Damon Robinson
FBLfDDeBab. Lisa Perine
FBLfDDeBaba. Kristen Highberg
FBLfDDeBabB. Erin Gregory Highberg
FBLfDDeBac. Terri Ann Perine
FBLfDDeBB. Lloyd Anthony Larson
FBLfDDeBBA. William Ty Larson
FBLfDDeBBB. Wayne Ashton Larson
FBLfDDeBBC. Todd Anthony Larson
FBLfDDeBBD. Scott Lloyd Larson
FBLfDDeBBe. Sharilyn Larson
FBLfDDeBBF. Marc Reed Larson
FBLfDDeBBg. Sara Larson
FBLfDDeBc. Linda Ann Larson
FBLfDDeBcA. Darvil Anthone McBride
FBLfDDeBcB. Michael Jon McBride
FBLfDDeBcc. Rachael Lee McBride
FBLfDDeBcD. David Paul McBride
FBLfDDeBcE. Jonah Steven McBride
FBLfDDeBcF. Joshua Jared McBride

FBLfDDeBcg. Jolinda McBride
FBLfDDeBD. Delbert Laclead Larson
FBLfDDeBDA. Jeffrey LaClead Larson
FBLfDDeBDB. Travis Lee Larson
FBLfDDeBDc. Chandra Lynn Larson
FBLfDDec. Maude Nichalous Larson
FBLfDDed. Levaughn Lillian Linda Larson
FBLfDDee. Jessie Anna Larson
FBLfDDef. Ruth Margert Karen Larson
FBLfDDf. Catherine Elizabeth Teeples
FBLfDDg. Heneritia Jane Teeples
FBLfDDh. Cynthia Maude Teeples
FBLfDDi. Luella Francis Teeples
FBLfDDj. Josie Alice Teeples
FBLfDe. Cynthia Rhoda Teeples
FBLfDF. Henry Alanson Teeples
FBLfDg. Eunice Clarinda Teeples
FBLfDh. Hulda Henrietta Teeples
FBLfDI. George Bentley Teeples, Jr.
FBLfDj. Louisa Teeples
FBLfDk. Rhoda Elvira Teeples
FBLfDL. Jacob Amos Teeples
FBLfDLa. Lydia Jane Teeples
FBLfDLb. Sarah Lewella Teeples
FBLfDLC. John Henry Teeples
FBLfDLCa. Rachel Luella Teeples
FBLfDLCb. anon. (dtr) Teeples
FBLfDLCc. Alvera Josephine Teeples
FBLfDLCc?. anon. Jones
FBLfDLCc?. anon. Jones
FBLfDLCcc. Nadine Jones
FBLfDLCcca. anon. Fletcher
FBLfDLCc?. anon. Jones
FBLfDLCd. Sarah Virginia Teeples
FBLfDLCe. Berniece Teeples
FBLfDLCF. anon. (son) Teeples
FBLfDLCg. anon. (dtr) Teeples
FBLfDLCh. Bertha Teeples
FBLfDLCi. Sarah Teeples
FBLfDLd. Anna Laura Teeples
FBLfDLe. Mary Joanna Teeples
FBLfDLf. Isabelle Henrietta Teeples
FBLfDLG. Jacob Teeples, Jr.
FBLfDLh. Lela Myrtle Teeples
FBLfDLI. Sidney Roosevelt Teeples
FBLfDm. Antionette Teeples
FBLfDn. Marietta Teeples
FBLfe. Nancy Teeples
FBLfF. Henry Luke Teeples
FBLfg. Mary Teeples
FBLfh. Roxy Teeples
FBLfi. Rhoda Teeples
FBLfj. Alvira Teeples
FBLg. Elizabeth Bentley
FBLH. Greene Bentley, Jr.
FBLi. Phebe Bentley
FBM. Benjamin Bentley
FC. James Bentley
FCa. Hannah Bentley
FD. THOMAS BENTL(E)Y, **IX.97.**
FDa. Jane Bentl(e)y
FDb. Mary Bentl(e)y
FDC. William Bentl(e)y
FDCA. Tillinghast Bentley
FDCAA. John Bentley
FDCAB. George Bentley
FDCAC. Tabor Bentley
FDCACA. Tillinghast Bentley
FDCAD. Thomas Bentley
FDCAE. Samuel Bentley
FDCAf. Mary Bentley
FDCAg. Elizabeth Bentley
FDCAH. Tillinghast Bentley
FDCAI. Joseph Bentley
FDCAIA. Crigger Bentley
FDCAIB. Asa (?) Bentley
FDCAIC. Richard Bentley
FDCAICa. -arilla (?) Bentley
FDCAICb. Adelia Bentley
FDCAICC. William Bentley
FDCAICD. David C. Bentley
FDCAICe. Polly Bentley
FDCAICF. Stephen Bentley
FDCAICg. Fanny Bentley
FDCAICh. Anna Bentley
FDCAICi. Eliza Bentley
FDCAICJ. Warren Bentley
FDCAICJA. John Jenkins Bentley
FDCAICJB. Joseph Warren Bentley
FDCAICJBA. Frederick W. Bentley
FDCAICJBAA. Warren Robertson Bentley
FDCAICJBB. Herbert L. Bentley
FDCAICJBBa. Esther Florence Bentley
FDCAICJBBb. Ruth Beatrice Bentley
FDCAICJBBc. Dorothy Irene Bentley
FDCAICJC. Miron Bentley
FDCAICJD. Murray J. Bentley
FDCAICJe. Julia Louisa Bentley
FDCAICJF. James Knox Bentley

FDCAICJG. Franklin Richard Bentley
FDCAICJH. George Henry Bentley
FDCAICk. Emily Bentley
FDCAICL. Joseph Bentley
FDCAICm. Rozilla Bentley
FDCAICn. Juliet Bentley
FDCAICo. Hannah J. Bentley
FDCAICP. John Bentley
FDCAICq. Sarah Bentley
FDCAI?. anon. Bentley
FDCB. William Bentley
FDCC. Tabor Bentley
FDCD. Pardon Bentley
FDCDa. Margaret Bentley
FDCDB. Pardon Bentley, Jr.
FDCDC. Thomas Bentley
FDCDD. William Bentley
FDCDDA. Jerusha Bentley
FDCDDB. William Bentley
FDCDDBA. George Bentley
FDCDDB?A. Floyd F. Bentley
FDCDDc. Olive Bentley
FDCDDcA. Albert C. Capwell
FDCDDd. Amanda Bentley
FDCDDdA. Hamilton Winston
FDCDDdB. Nelson Winston
FDCDDdBA. Franklin Winston
FDCDDdBB. Fred Hamilton Winston
FDCDDdBc. Loretta Corinne Winston
FDCDDdBD. George Parsons Winston
FDCDDdBDA. Roy Winston
FDCDDdBDB. Earl(e) Winston
FDCDDdBDC. Paul Winston
FDCDDe. Harriet Bentley
FDCDDF. Alva Bentley
FDCDDFA. Jasper Bentley
FDCDDFAa. Ada Bentley
FDCDDFAb. Kate E. Bentley
FDCDDFAc. Ella Bentley
FDCDDFA?. (anon. Jasper's-dtr) Bentley
FDCDDFB. David Bentley
FDCDDFc. Mary Bentley
FDCDDFcA. Alva J. Thompson
FDCDDFcB. Frank Thompson
FDCDDFcc. (anon. Andrew's-dtr) Thompson
FDCDDg. Abigail Bentley
FDCDDH. George H. Bentley
FDCDDHA. Charles Bentley
FDCDDHAa. Fanny Ada Bentley
FDCDDHAB. George Bentley
FDCDDHABA. Fred E. Bentley
FDCDDHABB. Charles L. Bentley
FDCDDHAC. Edward W. Bentley
FDCDDHAD. Willis Bentley
FDCDDHADa. Inez C. Bentley
FDCDDI. Edwin S. Bentley
FDCDDJ. Alexander Henry Bentley
FDCDDK. Thomas Bentley
FDCDDL. Edward S. Bentley
FDCDE. John Bentley
FDCDF. Stephen Bentley
FDCDG. Charles Bentley
FDCDH. Augustus Bentley
FDCDI. Samuel Bentley
FDCDj. Elizabeth Bentley
FDCDk. Susan Bentley
FDCE. Joseph Bentley
FDCF. Gideon Bentley
FDD. BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y, **VIII.49.**
FDDA. Caleb Bentley
FDDAa. Sarah Bentley
FDDAB. Randall Spencer Bentley
FDDABA. Oliver Bentley
FDDABB. William Clark Bentley
FDDABBA. Oliver Carlton Bentley
FDDABBAA. Samuel S. Bentley
FDDABBAb. Edith Bentley
FDDABBAba. Margaret Burnell
FDDABBAc. Bertha Bentley
FDDABBB. William Peters Bentley
FDDABBC. James Knowlton Bentley
FDDABBCa. Margaret LaBar Bentley
FDDABBd. Emily Amalia Bentley
FDDABBdA. George W. Hays
FDDABBdB. James Bentley Hays
FDDABBdc. Lillian Bentley Hays
FDDABBe. Cordelia Augusta Bentley
FDDABC. James Randall Bentley
FDDABCA. George Bentley
FDDABCAA. Charles S. Bentley
FDDABCAb. Cornelia Bentley
FDDABd. Sabina Bentley
FDDAC. William Bentley
FDDACA. Isaac Bentley
FDDACb. Bessie Bentley
FDDACc. Clara Bentley
FDDACd. Hannah Bentley
FDDACda. (anon. dtr) Layton

FDDACE. William Gardner Bentley
FDDACEa. Ama Bentley
FDDACEB. Daniel S. Bentley
FDDACEBa. Pauline Bentley
FDDACEC. William Randall Bentley
FDDACED. Albert Bentley
FDDACEE. Isaac Bentley
FDDACEF. John S. Bentley
FDDACEg. Sarah Bentley
FDDACEH. Calvin Henry Bentley
FDDACEHA. Edwin Carleton Bentley
FDDACEHB. Park Smith Bentley
FDDACEHC. Henry Roy Bentley
FDDACEHCa. Jeanette Grace Bentley
FDDACEHCB. Harry Roy Bentley
FDDACEHCBa. Sharon Bentley
FDDACEHCBB. David Bentley
FDDACEHCBBa. Adrienne Page Bentley
FDDACEHCBC. Richard Bentley
FDDACEHCC. James Calvin Bentley
FDDACEHCCA. James Sharer Bentley
FDDACEHCCAA. Sean Christopher Bentley
FDDACEHCCAb. Lisa Ann Bentley
FDDACEHCCAc. Shannon Elizabeth Bentley
FDDACEHCCAD. Kirk Andrew Bentley
FDDACEHCCAE. Paul William Bentley
FDDACEHCCB. Frederick William Bentley
FDDACEHCCBa. Jennifer Lorie Bentley
FDDACEHCCBB. John William Bentley
FDDACEHCCBc. Sarah Katherine Bentley
FDDACEHCCBD. Tyler Roy Bentley
FDDACEHCCc. Martha Alice Bentley
FDDACEHCD. Frederick Francis Bentley
FDDACEHCDa. Elizabeth Bentley
FDDACEHCDb. Amy Joan Bentley
FDDACEHD. Fred Erwin Bentley
FDDACEI. Gilbert Bentley
FDDACEJ. William A. Bentley
FDDACEK. Newel Bentley
FDDACF. Randall Spencer Bentley, Sr.
FDDACFa. Lavina Bentley
FDDACFaA. Randall Inglis
FDDACFab. Jane Inglis
FDDACFaC. John Inglis
FDDACFad. Ellen Inglis
FDDACFadA. James Inglis Sutherland
FDDACFae. Alice Lavina Inglis
FDDACFaeA. Harold Inglis McNeil
FDDACFaf. Nancy Inglis
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FDDACFBA. George Bentley
FDDACFBb. Elizabeth Jane Bentley
FDDACFBC. William Randall Bentley
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FDDACFBCB. William Henry Bentley
FDDACFBCc. Iva May Elizabeth Bentley
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FDDACFBdA. Frederick Cecil Parker
FDDACFBdB. Miner Spencer Parker
FDDACFBdC. E. Luckett Parker
FDDACFBE. Thomas Bentley
FDDACFBf. Maria Hannah Bentley
FDDACFBG. James Samual Bentley
FDDACFBGA. Charles Clair Bentley
FDDACFBGB. Ross Everett Bentley
FDDACFBGC. William Earl Bentley
FDDACFBH. George Thomas Luckitt Bentley
FDDACFc. Maria Bentley
FDDACFcA. John Sinclair
FDDACFcB. George Sinclair
FDDACFcC. William Sinclair
FDDACFcD. David Sinclair
FDDACFce. Jane Sinclair
FDDACFd. Nancy Bentley

FDDACFdA. Edmund Shep(p)ard
FDDACFdb. (anon. dtr) Shep(p)ard
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FDDACFEAB. George Creager Bentley
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FDDACFEAe. Anna Josephine Bentley
FDDACFEAF. Anson Buck Bentley
FDDACFEAG. Eugene Julian Bentley
FDDACFEb. Gertrude Mehitable Bentley
FDDACFEbA. George Bentley McCall
FDDACFEbB. Lloyd Courlay McCall
FDDACFEbc. Jessie Emma McCall
FDDACFEC. William Edmund Bentley
FDDACFECA. Thomas George Buck Bentley
FDDACFEd. Emma Eliza Bentley
FDDACFEE. Duncan Alexander Bentley
FDDACFf. Jane Bentley
FDDACFG. Randall Spencer Bentley, Jr.
FDDACFGA. Fred Louis Bentley
FDDACFGAA. Verne Stanton Bentley
FDDACFGAB. Ronald Spencer Bentley
FDDACFGAC. Leonard Maxwell Bentley
FDDACFGAD. Clayton Stanley Bentley
FDDACFGAe. Hazel Bentley
FDDACFGb. Evalyne Annetta Bentley
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FDDACFGCDBb. Suzanne Bentley
FDDACFGCDc. Dana Marie Bentley
FDDACFGCE. Robert Jennison Bentley
FDDACFGCEA. Ian Bentley
FDDACFGCEB. David Bentley
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FDDACFGdb. Virginia Imes
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FDDADAA. Daniel M. Bentley
FDDADAb. Lucinda A. Bentley
FDDADAC. Russell Bentley
FDDADACA. Frank P. Bentley
FDDADAd. Imogene Bentley
FDDADAe. Elizabeth Bentley
FDDADb. Eliza Bentley
FDDADC. William Bentley

FDDADCa. Maria Bentley
FDDADCaa. Hattie E. Sharrard
FDDADCaaA. James Stevenson
FDDADCaaB. Charles Stevenson
FDDADCaac. Edith Stevenson
FDDADCab. Grace Sharrard
FDDADCac. Corrie Sharrard
FDDADCad. Kate Sharrard
FDDADCaE. (anon. son) Sharrard
FDDADCb. Louisa Bentley
FDDADCc. Phoebe Bentley
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FDDADEAA. William Herbert Bentley
FDDADEAb. Emma Bentley
FDDADEB. Calvin Bentley
FDDADEC. George Bentley
FDDADED. Truman Bentley
FDDADEDa. Violet Bentley
FDDADEDaa. Norma Griffiths
FDDADEDb. Iva Alma Bentley
FDDADEDba. Viola Thirsk
FDDADEDbb. Daisy Thirsk
FDDADEDc. Minerva Bentley
FDDADEDD. John L. Bentley
FDDADEDe. Pansy Bentley
FDDADEE. Washington Bentley
FDDADEf. Elizabeth Bentley
FDDADEG. Norman Bentley
FDDADEh. Matilda Bentley
FDDADEhA. Otto Harold McAvay (McAvey)
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FDDADEiA. Lewis Russell Daley
FDDADEIAa. Beatrice Daley
FDDADEiAB. Ross Daley
FDDADEiAC. Edward (Ted) Daley
FDDADEiAD. Charles Daley
FDDADEIb. Celia May Daley
FDDADEibA. Jack Paul Martin
FDDADEic. Florence Gertrude Daley
FDDADEicA. Herbert T. Arms
FDDADEicAa. Dale Dorell Arms
FDDADEicAaa. Johnna Lee Malpass
FDDADEicAb. Arlene Donna Arms
FDDADEid. Millie Merle Daley
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FDDADEidb. Helen May Taylor
FDDADEidba. Carole Helen Shulver
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FDDADEidCa. Elizabeth Taylor
FDDADEidCaA. Robert William Paul
FDDADEidCab. Deborah Elizabeth Paul
FDDADEidD. Kenneth Frederick Taylor
FDDADEidDA. Kenneth William Taylor
FDDADEide. Ruth Millicent Taylor
FDDADEidea. Lynne Ruth Turner
FDDADEideaa. Cheryl Lynne Brien
FDDADEideb. Barbara Dawn Turner
FDDADEideba. Deborah Lynne Traynor
FDDADEidebB. Jeffrey James Traynor
FDDADEie. Ina Rose Daley
FDDADEieA. Stuart R. Kottmeier
FDDADEieB. Allen Kottmeier
FDDADEif. Laura Irene Daley
FDDADEifa. Lorrainne Olstad
FDDADEifb. Marion Olstad
FDDADEifc. Jeanne Olstad
FDDADEJ. Elijah Bentley
FDDADF. James L. Bentley
FDDADFa. Martha Bentley
FDDADFB. Lafayette Bentley
FDDADFBa. Nina Llewella Bentley
FDDADFBaa. Muriel Sheppard
FDDADFBaB. Caldwell Bethel Sheppard
FDDADFBaBA. Brian Bentley Sheppard
FDDADFBaBB. Glenn Dirk Sheppard
FDDADFBaBBA. Malcolm Dirk Sheppard
FDDADFBaBC. Gregory Wayne Sheppard
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FDDADFD. Francis Bentley
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FDDAEGAA. Rufus Clarence Bentley
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FDDAEGAd. Edith Naomi Bentley
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FDDAEGAFa. Eugenia Maxine Bentley
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FDDAEGd. —. Clarise Bentley
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FDDAEIgaaaa. Kendall Elisabeth Wheaton
FDDAEIgaaaB. Ryan David Wheaton
FDDAEIgaaB. Lauren Walter Berns
FDDAEIgaaC. Allen Lee Berns
FDDAEIgaad. Margie Sue Berns
FDDAEIgaae. Gwendolyn Kay Berns
FDDAEIgaB. Wyman Eugene Hanson
FDDAEIgaC. Stuart Leon Hanson
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FDDAEIgC. Calvin Reynolds Stuart
FDDAEIgd. Inez Alina Stuart
FDDAEIh. Jessie May Bentley
FDDAEII. Charles Eugene Bentley
FDDAf. Betsey Bentley
FDDAg. Sally Bentley
FDDAH. Spencer Bentley
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FDDC. Thomas Bentley BENJAMIN'S Son
FDDCa. Elizabeth Bentley
FDDCB. Rufus Bentley
FDDCBa. Tamar Bentley
FDDCBaa. Mariah Essex
FDDCBab. Ameline Essex
FDDCBac. Rachel Essex
FDDCBad. Lavanche Essex
FDDCBadA. Frank Essex
FDDCBaE. Cyrenius Bentley Essex
FDDCBB. Sylvester Bentley
FDDCBBA. William John Bentley
FDDCBBB. Joseph Rufus Bentley
FDDCBBc. Harriet Bentley
FDDCBBD. David Sylvester Bentley
FDDCBBE. Edgar Bentley
FDDCBBF. Edwin Bentley
FDDCBBFA. Duane Bentley
FDDCBBFB. Ulysses Sylvester Bentley
FDDCBBFBa. Zilphia Bentley
FDDCBBFBb. Alchea Bentley
FDDCBBFBc. Ada M. Bentley
FDDCBc. Lucretia Bentley
FDDCBd. Amy Bentley
FDDCBdA. Harrison B. Waterman
FDDCdAA. George B. Waterman
FDDCBdAb. Clara E. Waterman
FDDCBdAC. Clarence C. Waterman
FDDCBdAd. Amy E. Waterman
FDDCBdAe. Bon Waterman
FDDCBdAf. Lilly Waterman
FDDCBdAg. Rose Waterman
FDDCBdAh. Marcena E. Waterman
FDDCBdAI. Harry Eugene Waterman
FDDCBdb. Ann Eliza Waterman
FDDCBdC. Wes(t)ley I. Waterman
FDDCBdD. John William Waterman

FDDCBde. Esther M. Waterman
FDDCBdeA. George W. Clark
FDDCBdeb. Clara M. Clark
FDDCBdec. Mary Eliza Clark
FDDCBded. Rosalind Clark
FDDCBdeE. Frank B. Clark
FDDCBdF. Rufus Waterman
FDDCBdFa. Anna Louisa Waterman
FDDCBdFb. Hattie Clara Waterman
FDDCBdFC. John Harmon Waterman
FDDCBdFD. Henry William Waterman
FDDCBdg. Elvira Waterman
FDDCBdH. George Asa Waterman
FDDCBe. Betsy Bentley
FDDCBeA. Andrew Jackson Pettie
FDDCBeAa. Dora D. Pettie
FDDCBeAaa. Winnie A. Reynolds
FDDCBeAab. Irene Jeanette Reynolds
FDDCBeAb. Ida Jane Pettie
FDDCBeAba. Sarah Fuller
FDDCBeAbb. Hazel E. Fuller
FDDCBeAc. Carrie Esther Pettie
FDDCBeAca. Rua Levina Race
FDDCBeAd. Cora T. Pettie
FDDCBeB. George Clinton Pettie
FDDCBeBA. George Clinton Pettie, Jr.
FDDCBeBB. Willis Pettie
FDDCBeB?a. (dtr 1) Pettie
FDDCBeB?b. (dtr 2) Pettie
FDDCBeB?c. (dtr 3) Pettie
FDDCBeB?d. (dtr 4) Pettie
FDDCBeB?e. (dtr 5) Pettie
FDDCBeB?F. Archie T. Jardine (Pettie)
FDDCBeB?G. Sidney R. Pettie
FDDCBeB?GA. Vernon Pettie
FDDCBeB?GB. Daniel Gordon Pettie
FDDCBeB?GC. Sidney J. Pettie
FDDCBeBc. Viola Esther Pettie
FDDCBeBcA. Willis McCrady
FDDCBeBcAA. Willard McCrady
FDDCBeBcAAa. Mary Jo McCrady
FDDCBeBcAAB. Willard McCrady
FDDCBeBcAB. Harold McCrady
FDDCBeBcABA. Christopher McCrady
FDDCBeBcABB. Patrick McCrady
FDDCBeBcB. Charles McCrady
FDDCBeBcBA. Donald McCrady
FDDCBeBcBAa. Verienne McCrady
FDDCBeBcBAaA. (anon.) Skaggs
FDDCBeBcBAB. Richard McCrady
FDDCBeBcBAc. Beverly McCrady
FDDCBeBcBAD. James McCrady
FDDCBeBcBb. Vera Charlene McCrady
FDDCBeBcBba. Grace Hensel
FDDCBeBcBC. Vernon McCrady
FDDCBeBcBCA. Marlowe McCrady
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FDDFN. Elisha Bentley
FDDg. Ann (?) Bentley, BENJAMIN'S Daughter
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FDEa. Mary Bentley
FDEB. Thomas Bentley
FDEC. John Bentley
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FDEF. Bergen Bentley
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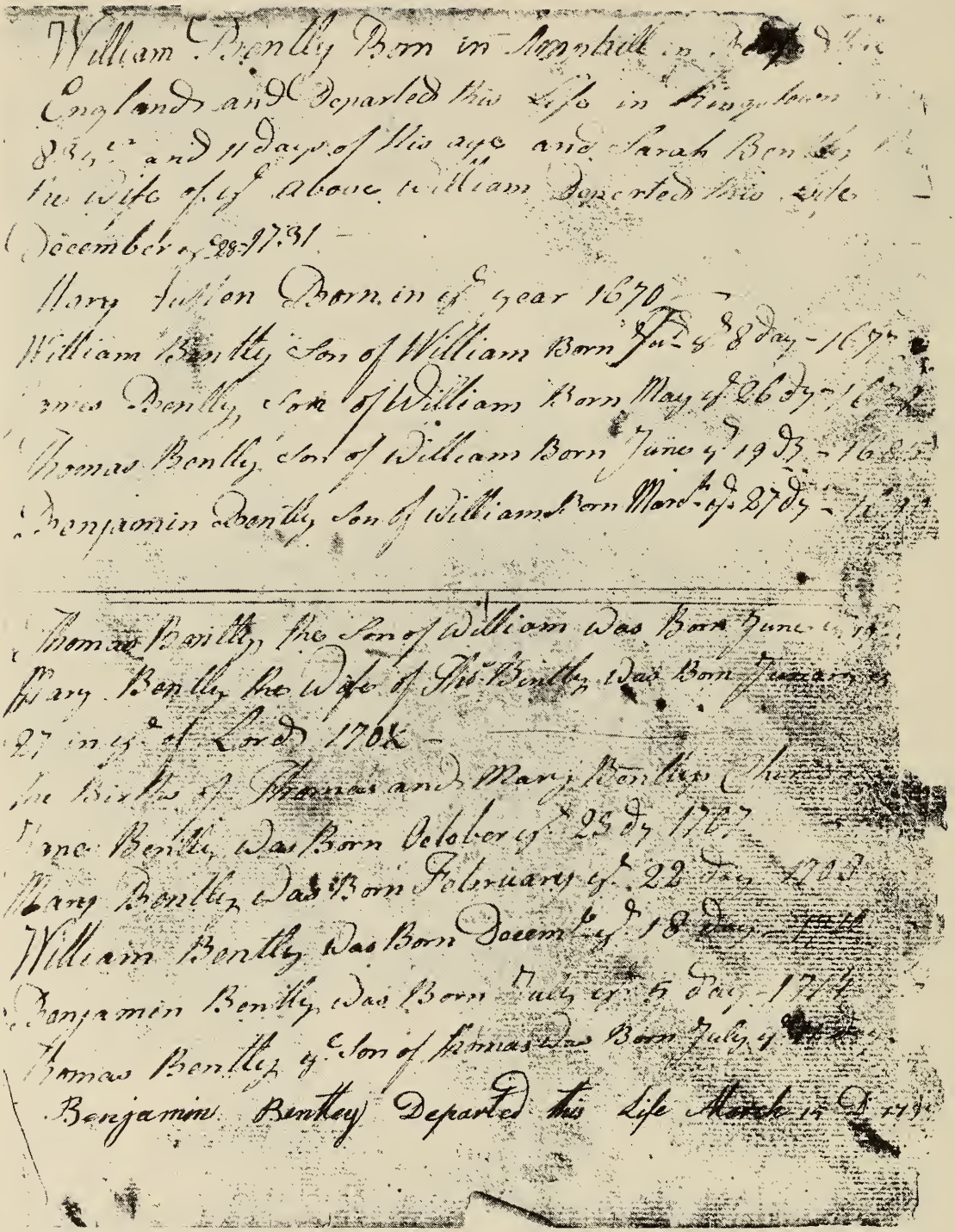


William Bently Born in Amphill in [illegible] the
England and Departed this Life in Kingstown
83 yrs and 11 days of his age and Sarah Bently
the wife of ye above William Departed this Life
December ye 28 1731 –
Mary Sutton Born in ye year 1670 –
William Bently Son of William Born Jul ye 8 day – 167[illegible]
James Bently Son of William Born May ye 26 dy – 16[illegible]
Thomas Bently Son of William Born June ye 19 dy – 16[illegible]
Benjamin Bently Son of William Born March ye 27 dy – 16[illegible]

Thomas Bently the Son of William Was Born June ye 19
Mary Bently the Wife of Thos Bently Was Born January ye
27 in ye of Lord 1702 –
the Births of Thomas and Mary Bently Chi[illegible]
Jane Bently Was Born October ye 25 dy 1707
Mary Bently Was Born February ye 22 day 1708
William Bently Was Born Decemb ye 18 day [illegible]
Benjamin Bently Was Born July ye 5 day 1714
Thomas Bently ye Son of Thomas Was Born July ye [illegible]
Benjamin Bentley Departed this Life March 15 D 17[illegible]

Bible transcription record (incomplete and probably copied from several sources) includes the names of WILLIAM BENTLY **(Be:F.)**, THOMAS BENTLY **(Be:FD.)**, and BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y **(Be:FDD.)**. Document "Ms. B477w." is reproduced here by permission of the Rhode Island Historical Society, Providence, RI (see Be111.).

F. WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y, X.193., was born in AMPTHILL, BEDFORDSHIRE, ENGLAND, the exact date of his birth being in question. If the William Bentley of Ampthill who was Christened in 1640 (Be162.A, B.;Be172.) was the only "William Bentley" born in Ampthill, within a reasonable time, before the Christening date, then WILLIAM BENTLEY of KINGS TOWN, in AMERICA, who was born in AMPTHILL, BEDFORDSHIRE, ENGLAND (Be111.), before the 1640 Christening date, is very likely that same person. WILLIAM departed this life in Kingstown, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, 83 years and 11 days of his age. The baptismal record for a William Bentl(e)y in Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England, found in the **Ampthill Parish Register,** informs us that a **Jn.** Bentl(e)y was the father of **Wm.** who was Christened September 13, 1640. The records of other children of a Jn. Bentl(e)y were given. Only after the Christening dates have been compared, do we learn that **Wm.** ranks sixth in order of Christening. The assumption is that William also ranked sixth in birth order.

Upon examining the marriage records in the **Register** for Ampthill, we discover a **Jn.** Bentl(e)y m October 3, 1630, to **Mary Betts. This searcher assumes that William Bentl(e)y, Christened 9.13.1640, Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England, son of John Bentl(e)y and his wife Mary Betts, is the same William Bentl(e)y who departed this life in Kingstown, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, at age "83 y 11 days."** More evidence is desirable and hopefully will be available in the non-too-distant future. Meanwhile, searchers are searching.

The Will and Inventory of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y of Kingstown(e) has only two different dates recorded, July 9, 1720, and July 11, 1720 (Be201.). The exact date of WILLIAM BENTLEY'S death in record form is unknown to this searcher. The assumption made by other searchers is that he died in the year 1720. Did he die **one week and one day** before July 11,1720, **i.e.** on July 3, 1720? Can the **birth date** as theorized from the **Christening** record **in Ampthill** be equated with the dates on records of the **Will** and **Inventory** and **age at death** in Rhode Island of **a native of Ampthill** with **the same name?**

Just five and six lines above his mark on his Will (damaged on the right and left sides and at the tops of the pages) (page 12 of the Book) is written:
". . . In witness whereof I have here unto . . .
. . . Seall the Day and Yeare first above . . .
Below William Bentley's mark "W" it is written:
"Personally Appeared before the Town . . .
. . . Capt. John Eldred . . . Rob't Brownell. . .
. . . goeing will and Did declare . . .
. . . Said William Bentley Dec'd Signe . . .
. . . the above and within Written to be his . . . "
At the top of the first page of the inventory (page 13 of the Book), the following can be discerned:

". . . Subscribers in Said Town this Nin . . .
. . . 1720 is As followeth — "

Near the top of the next page of inventory (page 14 of the Book), it is written:

". . . the 11th Day of July 1720."

(signed) . . . Francis Willette . . .

Near the top of the page following (page 15 of the Book) it is written:

"**. . . k and A Day After the Date h . . .**
. . . true Acco't of Your Adm'tion Upon . . .
. . . Order of the Court and Sealled with . . .
. . . **11th Day of July 1720**"

(signed) . . . Fran . . .

Can we assume from the words written at the close of the Will and Inventory (partially destroyed) ". . . k and A Day After the Date h. . ." that he died a week and a day (or 8 days) before the date of the Court Order and Sealing on 11th Day of July 1720? If this assumption can be logically made, then it does appear that William Bentley passed away on July 3, 1720. If this death date is accurate and he **did** die at the age of 83 years 11 days, then the date of his birth would be June 22, 1637. Is the William Bentley in Ampthill, Christened on Sept. 13, 1640, the same William Bentley, born in Ampthill, who died in Kingstown on July 3, 1720? If so, where was the error made? If not, why not?

At the time of his death, William Bentl(e)y was married to a Sarah. Sarah Bentl(e)y, "she the wife of the above William, departed this life December 28, 1731." Her full name or names of her parents or of any previous spouse cannot be determined from the available evidence with any certainty.

Three unsolved mysteries of several surrounding the single-page manuscript (Be111.) include (1) line 4, "Mary Austen Born in ye year 1670 —" and (2) the omission of the name "Jane Bentl(e)y" as the daughter of William and as the wife of John Wightman ("Whittman"). The name of William's "daughter Jane Whittman" is written in William Bentl(e)y's **Will** (Be201.) In addition, (3) the name of William's daughter-in-law and mother of his grandchildren by his son Thomas is **not** given as "Elizabeth Chamberland" as was written in their marriage record (Be22.A.) and is **not** given as "Elizabeth" as indicated (by her X mark) on a 1718/19 deed record (Kingstown, now North Kingstown, RI) accompanying the signatures of her husband Thomas Bentley and witnesses James Eldred and Samuel Eldred (Be260.). Just why her name was omitted in the ms. may remain a mystery a long time. Instead the birth date of Mary, a later wife of Thomas Bentl(e)y, appears in the manuscript (Be111.) followed by, "The Births of Thomas and Mary Bentleys children. . ." followed by the names and birth dates of the children born to Elizabeth and Thomas.

WILLIAM (1) BENTLEY OF RHODE ISLAND

Ref.: Sarter, Emilie, **One Branch of the Bentley Family of Rhode Island,** Boston, **1953**, pp 3-20 (Be35.).

William (1) Bentley of Rhode Island was born, very probably, in England and died in "The King's Towne, King's Province, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations" (now North Kingstown, Washington County, State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations), shortly before July 9, 1720, the date of the Inventory of his Estate (North Kingstown, RI, **Probate Records**, 6:11, Town Hall, Wickford).

From his **Will** and other records we learn that his wife's name was **Sarah.** She is believed by some descendants to have been a **Sarah Leithfield,** and by others, **Sarah Eldred,** born at Yarmouth, Plymouth Colony, October 10, 1650, daughter of William and Anne (Lumpkin) Eldred of Yarmouth.[1]

Leithfield is an unusual name. It may be, as was then so frequently the case, merely one of a number of spellings of the name "Litchfield." Austin's **Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island,** page 19, in the Bentley Chart, does **not** give the surname of Sarah, wife of William (1) Bentley, and it is **not known** how Leithfield came to be assigned to her unless she was related to the **Thomas Leachfield,** another variation of Litchfield, of Massachusetts Bay Colony, whose daughter Anne (was) married December 29, 1702, (to) Samuel (2) (David's son) Shippee of East Greenwich, Rhode Island Colony. Austin on page 179 spells the name "Ann Leithfield." "The Litchfield Family in America" (1901-6) makes no reference to Thomas nor to his daughter Anne, nor to a Sarah, wife of William Bentley. Another spelling is Leichfield.

Sarah (3) Shippee, born about 1716, a daughter of **Samuel (2)** and **Ann (Leithfield or Leichfield)** Shippee, married at East Greenwich about 1737, **Benjamin (3) Bentley of Thomas (2), William (1),** grandson of **William (1) and Sarah (——) Bentley.**

The variations in the spelling of the name "Litchfield" may be easily account for the confusion. Nevertheless **nothing has been found** to prove that a Sarah Leithfield or Leichfield married William Bentley.

The evidence that Sarah Eldred of Yarmouth was the wife of William (1) Bentley, seems to rest on the testimony she gave in King's Towne in 1718 that John (2) Eldred (1659—1724), was then living on land on which his father Samuel (1) Eldred had lived fifty years previously; that is, in 1668. It would be logical to assume that Sarah Bentley, if her memory carried her back fifty years, must have been living there herself, perhaps with the Samuel Eldreds, in that part of the Narragansett country, in 1668, and that her father (?)

[1] If a record can be found reporting Sarah (——) Bentley's death at the age of **81 y 2 m 18 d**, this descendant then would agree that her maiden name was "Eldred."

William Eldred of Yarmouth was a brother to Samuel Eldred of Kingstown.

The loss of records, by fire, at both Yarmouth and North Kingstown, makes it difficult to substantiate either contention. All we can be sure of is that at the time of his death, the wife of William (1) Bentley was named **Sarah.**

The record of Sarah Bentley's death has not been found. . .[1] (omission of four paragraphs regarding suppositions).

Not quite ten years later King's Towne was established by vote of the General Assembly at Newport on October 28, 1674. It was the second town to be incorporated in the King's Province — Westerly having been established in 1669. There were now seven townships in the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations. Providence was founded in 1636 by Roger Williams. The succeeding towns were Portsmouth which was settled in 1638 and named in 1639; Newport in 1639; Warwick was first settled in 1642/3 in January although the first action of the inhabitants as a town, when they chose a town council, was not until August 8, 1647. The fifth township was Westerly, incorporated May 14, 1669, and on November 6, 1672, New Shoreham was incorporated and named.

The disruption following the war against the Indian, King Philip, 1675—1676, and the renewal of the dispute between Connecticut and Rhode Island as to jurisdiction of the King's Province or Narragansett country, caused Rhode Island in 1679 to confirm the act of 1674, establishing the King's Town and including it in the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations.

After the death of the Indian, King Philip, in August 1676, and the close of the war in Rhode Island, Connecticut claimed the Narragansett country by right of conquest and warned former inhabitants from re-settling. With the outbreak of war in 1675, those unable to fight fled to the island in Narragansett Bay and remained there until the war's end. This island, called "Aquidneck" by the Indians, was purchased from them in 1638 and Portsmouth settled. In 1644 the name of "Aquidneck" was changed to "the Isle of Rhodes" or "Rhode Island." In 1651 the towns of Providence and Warwick, which were united with those of Portsmouth and Newport, separated, but through the efforts of Roger Williams union was re-established in 1654, continuing the name of "The Incorporation of Providence Plantations in the Narraganset Bay in New England." The Charter granted by the king in 1663 was to the "Governor and Company of the English Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations" which on July 18, 1776, was changed by act of the General Assembly to "State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations" by its legal name today.

[1] See Be111. Sarah Bentley the wife of William[1] departed this life December 28, 1731.

Rhode Island colony protested Connecticut's claim and on October 27, 1676, ordered a "Prohibition to be set up in the Narraganset" forbidding "all persons under what pretence soever, to exercise jurisdiction in any part of the Narraganset country (alias King's Province)" except by her order.

Connecticut refused to yield what she considered her rights and at her May assembly ordered a survey of the war-torn province with a view toward settlement under her jurisdiction.

On May 2, 1677, the General Assembly of the Rhode Island colony met at Newport and granted liberty to all former inhabitants of the Province to "resettle their aforesaid possessed rights and habitations" and gave ten thousand acres of land in the King's Province to be equally divided among a hundred men to be approved by the Assembly. The names of these men seem not to have been recorded and one can assume that most of them were former inhabitants or sons of former inhabitants or in some way connected with them.

Later, at the October Assembly, Rhode Island granted an additional five thousand acres for a settlement which came to be called East Greenwich.

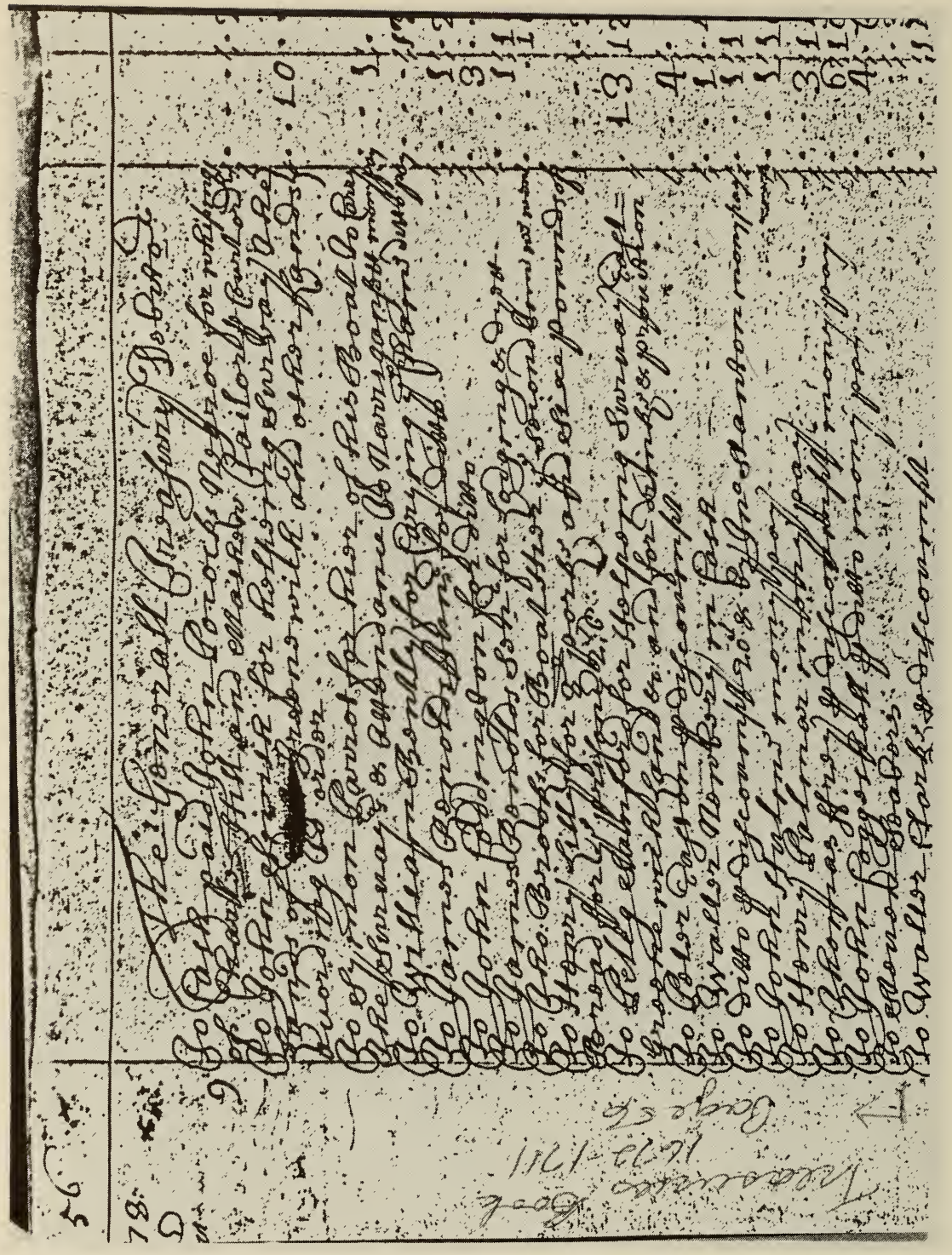
When the surveys of these two grants were made, apparently in 1678, William (1) Bentley was one of those who carried the "chains" and the record of payment for his services is the first public notice of him so far found.[1]

"General Treasurer's Accounts, 1672--1711"
State Archives, Providence, RI:

"To Generall Treasury Debitor
1678
Nov 9 To William Bently for Carrying ye Chains for surveying the lands of East Greenwich and other lands according to order
12 shillings" (Be 202.)

How William (1) Bentley came to the Narragansett country and when will perhaps never be known. As later records (1709) show that the land he settled on after King Philip's War was part of a tract set to Joseph (2) Reynolds, son of James (1), and his sons Joseph (3) and Robert (3) Reynolds; and as the foregoing Treasurer's Accounts also show that James (1) Reynolds, Senior, and his son James (2) Reynolds, Junior, were among those connected with the survey, one may logically **surmise** that William (1) Bentley was in some way connected with the Reynolds family, perhaps as an apprentice or an employee. For any closer connection such as nephew or son-in-law of James (1) Reynolds there is no evidence. The latter had no daughter Sarah. The fact that William (1) Bentley named one of his sons, James, can be construed to indicate some connection with the

[1]See Be111., earliest date associated with William Bentley of Kingstown appears written on a one-page manuscript in the Rhode Island Historical Society: (1)"Mary Austen Born in ye year 1670," and (2) "William Bently Son of William Born July (?) ye 8 day — 1677."



The 1678 payment record in the **Treasuries Book, 1672-1711,** page 56, Rhode Island State Archives, Providence. Payment was made to "John Smith for helpeing survay the Lands of East Greenewich and other Lands according to order" and to William Bently, James Renolds, Jun'r, and John Coddington for "carying ye chains" in "Narrigansett" (Be202.).

family. If he came into the Narragansett country with the Reynolds family it was most likely as a minor which would account for an absence of records.[1]

Where William (1) Bentley learned his currying trade cannot be determined from the records examined. None of them shows what trade or trades if any besides that of farmer, James (1) Reynolds and his sons followed.

In 1679, the inhabitants of the King's Province became so impatient with the continued bickering and impositions of the two colonies both of whom exercised the right of jurisdiction, that on July 29, they addressed a lengthy petition to his majesty, Charles II, reciting a history of their wrongs and beseeching him to settle the question of jurisdiction: whether they were to be under that of Connecticut; of Rhode Island, or under themselves, "The country being large and able to containe many families, may make an entire Province, if your Majestye see cause."

The petition is dated "King's Province, in Narragansett, July 29, 1679." The very first of the forty-two signatures is that of "William Bentley," evidence that he was an inhabitant of the King's Province in 1679, was of age and was a land holder there, living on land that undoubtedly he himself had helped to survey.

The original document is in the Public Record Office, London, England.[2] It is one of the documents relating to New England in general and Rhode Island in particular that were copied by order and at the expense of John Carter Brown (1797—1874) of Providence, youngest son of Nicholas Brown for whom Brown University, formerly Rhode Island College, was named.[3] In 1904, the John Carter Brown Library was built to house this "premier collection of Americana in the world." The Library is one of the many buildings of Brown University.

The Honorable John Russell Bartlett, Secretary of State during the period in which he edited and published "The Records of the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations in New England, 1636--1790," included many of the documents of this collection. The records of the colony were published from 1856 through 1865.

One of the complaints enumerated in the Petition was that the government on the Island of Rhode Island had shown so little sympathy for the plight of the inhabitants of the Narragansett country in the aftermath of Philip's war, as to impose a tax on them in 1678. Four years later, at a meeting of the General Assembly at Newport, June 28, 1682, this tax was remitted by one half, the Assembly "haveing taken into their consideration, the assessment laid upon

[1] Just a guess or surmised possibility.

[2] See reproduction of petition further on (Public Record Office, England) (see Be205A.).

[3] See typewritten copy further on (Rhode Island State Archives) (Be205B.).

the inhabitants of Kings Towne in the year 1678, with their then present condition;" but the inhabitants of Kings Towne flatly refused to pay any taxes at all, neither in money nor in provisions as assessed.

A few years later, England, under James II, determined to organize the northern colonies in America into a single royal domain to be called The Dominion of New England, first annulled the Massachusetts Bay's charter and provided for the later annulment of the charters of the Colony of Connecticut and of the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations. The Narragansett country, already a King's province, was declared a separate government and automatically included in the Dominion. On June 23, 1686, a Court was held at King's Towne and that town was ordered to be henceforth called "Rochester." The name of "East Greenwich" was changed to "Dedford" and that of "Westerly" to "Haversham." In December of that same year, Sir Edmond Andros arrived from England as Royal Governor, with his headquarters at Boston.

In 1685, Louis XIV of France revoked the Edict of Nantes which, promulgated in April 1598, by the French king Henry IV, gave religious liberty to his Protestant subjects the Huguenots. The persecution that followed the revocation drove great numbers of Huguenots into exile. Some forty-five French families sought refuge in Rhode Island and in the autumn of 1686 purchased a tract of land in the northern part of the newly-named town of Rochester and near to Dedford (East Greenwich) where they settled and where in the following spring they began to cultivate their acres. This spot is still known as Frenchtown and is a village in the township of East Greenwich.

In July 1687 certain of the English residents of East Greenwich, "alias" Dedford, and Rochester, "alias" Kingstown, resenting the intrusion of the French upon their title to the meadow land given to them nine years before by the Colony of Rhode Island, mowed the meadow and carted off the hay. The French complained to Andros who ordered the hay stacked pending an investigation as to the rights of the English to mow the meadow and appropriate the hay.

On August 5th, 1687, "upon hearing and examing of the matter in difference between the towns of Greenwich alias Deptford, Kingston alias Rochester and the French families lately settled in the Narragansett country," Andros ordered the hay to be equally divided between the French and the English "until the right thereto can be determined and settled." He gave preference to those English who "live remote and are mostwanting thereof." Among those who lived "remote" was William (1) Bentley of "kingston."

Sir Edmond Andros in **September 1687** authorized a tax to be assessed against the colonists. **William (1) Bentley's** tax amounted to four shillings, six and a half pence. One shilling was his "poll" tax which gave him the right to vote for town officials only as all colonial charters had been revoked and there were no General Assemblies.

The remainder, three shillings, six and a half pence, was his property tax, further proof that he was in possession of land.

England in 1688 revolted against its Catholic king, James II. Risings in the colonies in America followed. Andros was overthrown and the colonial governments restored, leaving the Narragansett country or King's Province once more without a fixed government until December 1693 when the Rhode Island charter of 1663 was confirmed by William and Mary who were then reigning in England.

It is not known just what town records had been kept in Kingstown, prior to, during and after Andros' regime as all records for meetings, if any, held before 1696 either were not kept of have not been preserved or, if preserved were sent to England, or lost in the fire of 1870 when burglars blew open the vault in the Wickford National Bank where the town clerk's office was at the time.

The first time, therefore, that we meet with **William (1) Bentley's** name in the town records is in:

> "List of all the ffreemen Belonging to the Towne of Kingstowne alias Rochester, In the Narragansett Country this 21st of December 1696."

The list appears to be what the title implies: a list of all freemen of the town whether or not they were freemen of the colony, and includes sons of freemen who had reached the age of eighteen. Many of the names, however, were not put down in 1696 but probably at the date of admission as freemen of the town, indicated by the changes of handwriting and ink used by the succeeding town clerks.

The name **"William Bentle"** is seventy-fifth on the list. The name of his son **Thomas (2)** appears as eighty-fifth and that of his son **James (2),** one hundred nineteenth. The name of his eldest son William (2) Bentley, Jr., does **not** appear on this list at all, due perhaps to an oversight.

Although the three sons of William (1) Bentley had long reached freeman age by 1712, they were not admitted as freeman of the colony until May 6, 1712, when the General Assembly voted to admit forty-four inhabitants of Kingstown as freemen of the Colony.

The General Treasurer's Accounts for 1701 show that on September 4, William (1) Bentley was paid ten shillings for killing a wolf, an award established by law to rid the colony of them.

In April, 1705, William (1) Bentley, asked for and received of the town "liberty to sett up a house convenient for the carrying on of his currying trade on . . .(burned away, but probably: "country") Rhode near to Samuel Phillips his house and . . . (faded and burned) sd Bently shall have conveniency of Land fo. . . garding and place to dry his leather near to his house."

This land was bounded on the south by the Annaquatucket River and on the east by the "old Pequot Path" or "country Rhode." The

house was familiarly known as the "tan" or "taun" house in the spelling and pronunciation of that period. The land was a free gift of the town, as currying was a necessary trade, and William (1) Bentley, at that time, was the only currier so far as known in that part of Kings Province. Later, it became necessary to buy the land from John Eldred to whom it was "laid out" as part of his tract in 1709.

The General Assembly of the colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations finally got around on October 29, 1707, to effecting order out of the chaos created by King Philip's war and appointed men to survey the "vacant lands" in the Narragansett country "there being pretended titles to the same, though never yet legally made out to the satisfaction of the colony." These "vacant lands" were the tracts that lay beyond the settlements made prior to King Philip's war in Cocumscussuck, Pettaquamscott, Quidnessett, Namcook or Boston Neck, Misquamicut or Westerly, several other purchases, and the land between Cocumscussoc and Namcook in which Wickford village lies, and where, south of the village, the tan house stood.

It was on vacant land, less than five miles west of Wickford, that William (1) Bentley had settled after the war, with, apparently, the family of Joseph (2) Reynolds son of James (1).

There is a tradition in the Rhode Island Reynolds family that Joseph (2) Reynolds who was born in Plymouth Colony in 1652, married before the outbreak of the war with King Philip and settled on what was called "the Great Plain," which is stated to have been four miles west, from Wickford. It seems, however, that the "Great Plain" was farther south and west and that Joseph (2) Reynolds probably settled on or near the same tract of land he eventually occupied after the close of King Philip's War.

The survey completed, the General Assembly in October, 1708, appointed a committee to hear "the claimers of the lands" as to title and "what propositions could or should be made to the vacant lands." Finally, on March 22, 1709, the General Assembly voted that "whereas the said tract of land (*i.e.* Narragansett country) doth of right belong to this colony, and many persons have made settlement on some part of the aforesaid tract of land . . . and as yet have made the colony no satisfaction for the lands whereon they have so settled . . . this Assembly do farther empower the aforesaid committee to make such instruments, and to agree with the possessors, as may be for the colony's interest, with such deeds or conveyance, as aforesaid; and the money such lands shall be sold for by said committee, paid into the general treasurer of this colony."

In the list of sales is that of June 3, 1709, to:

"Joseph Reynolds, Sr., Joseph Reynolds, Jr., Robert Reynolds and **William Bently**" of 727 acres "as platted,

bounded North by the new road, South by Pettiquamscut line, East by road leading to East Greenwich and West by vacant lands."

The consideration ran into three figures but only the third: "--- --- six pounds" is legible in the **North Kingstown Land Evidences** 3:4.

When a list of these sales of vacant lands was copied by Elisha R. Potter, Jr. (1811-1882), for his book entitled **The Early History of Narragansett,** he made the mistake of writing "Robert Bently" for "William Bently." His history was published in 1835 (when he was only twenty-four) under the auspices of the Rhode Island Historical Society. When a second edition was decided upon by the same auspices, it was not until the reprinting was nearly completed that Judge Potter's brother, William H. Potter, found Elisha's copy of the first edition interleaved with corrections and additions. These were added as an appendix as it was too late to make the corrections in type. The new edition was published in 1886 and is Volume III of the Collections of the Rhode Island Historical Society at Providence.

On page 380 (of Potter's book) in the Appendix, the correction is made changing "Robert Bently" to "William Bently." Samuel R. Gardner at the time of Judge Potter's death, owned the original deed which is now probably in the collections of the Rhode Island Historical Society at Providence.

The error, however, has caused subsequent searchers who relied only on Potter without verification in the original records to believe that **William (1) Bentley** had a son Robert, which, in view of the foregoing, is obviously incorrect.

The "new road" called also "the new country road" and "the Ten Rod road" is that which still runs from the village of Wickford west through the present township of Exeter, State Highway 102, on present day maps. Of this 727-acre tract, **William (1) Bentley's** share was about 194 acres in the northeastern portion, bounded on the north by the Ten Rod road, on the east probably by what is now called the South County Trail or State Highway 2, placing a portion of his land today in the present North Kingstown and the remainder in the present Exeter. The Reynolds land bounded him on the south and west and was originally that on which **Joseph (2) Reynolds** had settled after King Philip's War. All of the Bentley land was subsequently acquired by **John (3) Reynolds and Jeremiah Sweet.**

Sometime between the date of **William (1) Bentley's** purchase in the "vacant lands" and January 20, 1711/12, he and his wife **Sarah** deeded sixty-seven acres of this purchase to their eldest son **William (2) Bentley, Jr.** The record of entry must have been one of the pages destroyed by fire for the only proof that such transaction took place is the subsequent record of sale by **William (2) Bentley, Jr.,** in 1713, when he was planning to remove to Westerly. The purchaser was **Jeremiah Sweet** of North Kingstown, son of **James (2) and Mary (Greene) Sweet,** and grandson of **John (1) and Mary (---) Sweet.**

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On January 20, 1711/12, **William (1) Bentley** and his wife, **Sarah,** also deeded land to their son **James (2) Bentley.** This was the remaining one hundred and twenty-seven acres of the Reynolds-Bentley tract, all right in which on January 25, was confirmed by **Joseph (2) Reynolds** and **Robert (2) Reynolds** as the Bentley part of the land "laid down" to **William (1) Bentley** and themselves, by the Colony's committee in 1709. Shortly after, on February 27, 1711/12, the statute of limitations, quieting land titles after twenty years' possession, passed.

Except for the town grant of 1705 on which he lived, **William (1) Bentley** had now disposed of all his lands to two of his sons. On June 14, 1714, he purchased 11½ acres from Priscilla Wethers,[1] widow of Thomas, and their son John. This land on November 1, 1715, was deeded to **Thomas (2) Bentley.**

A dispute as to rights to land, on the other side of the Pequot Path, arising between **William (1) Bentley** and **James Updike,** whose land lay across that road, **William (1) Bentley** brought suit for damages but judgment was rendered against him. He appealed therefrom without success on March 17, 1714/5.

When in 1705, the town granted him liberty to erect his tan house, the land allotted for the purpose was not apparently otherwise occupied. However, when the "vacant lands" were in 1709 "platted" and "laid out" to **Captain John Eldred** from whom on December 14, 1716, **William (1) Bentley** bought eight acres which included the tan house and "garding" and on which he continued to live until his death in 1720 when it fell to his youngest son **Benjamin (2)** as his inheritance.

His daughter, **Jane (2) Bentley,** seems not to have received land... (omission of supposition).

Among the depositions taken relating to the highways in the Narragansett country, **Sarah Bentley,** wife of **William (1),** testified on August 1, 1718, that **Samuel Eldred,** father of **John** "did dwell upon the land where John now dwells, fifty years ago" and that "ye Antient Pequet path or Road y't lead to New London went to ye Eastward of his father's house."

As has been said it may be this record of **Sarah's** testimony that led certain Bentley descendants and searchers to believe that she herself was an Eldred and had been in that part of the Narragansett country at the time **Samuel Eldred** first lived there in 1668. **Sarah,** daughter of **William Eldred** of Yarmouth, Plymouth Colony, was born there on October 10, 1650. Yarmouth records were destroyed by fire in 1674 and the salvaged records begin with 1676, more or less. These records, however, have not been searched for this pedigree. **Until further evidence is found, the surname of William (1) Bentley's wife Sarah can not be determined.**

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On January 12, 1718/9, William (3) Cole, son of John (2), Isaac (1), donated land three rods long and two rods wide for "the erecting of a school house for the benefit and proper use of the said persons whose names are hereinunder subscribed, who out of a voluntary subscription have of their own free will given money for the erecting of a school house." This was the first site for a school house in Kingstown.

Among the twelve signers were **William (1) Bentley** and his son **Benjamin (2) Bentley.** All the signers lived near one another on the lands they had bought from the Colony's committee in 1709, which tract lay between the ancient Pequot Path on the east, Swampton on the west; the Ten Rod Road on the north; and the north-west boundary of the Pettaquamscut Purchase of 1658, on the south. Pettaquamscott was now part of Kingstown (reference is made to map in the pamphlet entitled "Several Purchases of the Lands West of Wickford," issued December 29, 1936, by the Rhode Island State Society of Colonial Wars).

It was also on this tract of land that **William (1) Bentley's** tan house stood. His other land lay farther west. Both are to be found on the map referred to above.

Part of the additionally acquired land of **Richard Smith,** the first settler in the Narragansett country (1641), lay opposite the above-mentioned tract. It had descended to the **Updikes,** grandchildren of the first **Richard Smith.** The southernmost part faced the Bentley tan house on the other side of the Pequot path. From the records, the Updikes seem to have been litigiously inclined. One of the suits they brought was against **William (1) Bentley** and his son, **Benjamin (2),** for trespass. In September 1719 father and son made their answer but the judgment of the court is not known.

Probate records having also suffered in the 1870 fire at Wickford National Bank where the town clerk's office was, only part of William (1) Bentley's **Will** as recorded is legible. The date on which he made it is burned away. On July 9, 1720, the will and inventory were exhibited to and accepted by the Town Council, which in Rhode Island to this day, comprises the Probate Court. Two days after, on July 11, 1720, administration was granted the executors: wife **Sarah Bentley** and son **Benjamin (2) Bentley.** Named in the **Will** are William's "Daughter Jane Whittman," his "Son Thomas Bently," his "Son James Bently," his "Eldest Son William," and his "Son Benjamin." Witnesses were **Capt. John Eldred** and **Mr. Robert Brownell.** Ref.: Be35.

Charles Wilson Opdyke in his book entitled **The op Dyck Genealogy (1889)** provides the following information (Be207.).

The thirty thousand acres of land in Narragansett, purchased by Richard Smith from Narragansett Sachems about 1639, comprised all the land on the west side of Narragansett Bay, north of Annaquatucket river, east of the 'Pequot path' (now the Post road), and

south of Allen's harbor. It was upon this tract, called 'Cocumscussuc,' that he erected a blockhouse or 'Smith's Castle,' for trading in furs and seawan (wampum) with the Indians. In 1659, Richard Smith Sr. and Jr. joined with Gov. Winthrop of Connecticut and Major Atherton of Massachusetts in the purchase of another large tract from the Narragansett Sachem, who then confirmed the previous grant to Richard Smith. Smith's possessions included a great part of what is now North Kingstown, and South Quidnessett.

In 1664, the R. I. Assembly addressed their letter to 'Richard Smith of Narragansett Cohgomsquisitt.' But the place was called **'Wickford'** even then, for in that year Richard Smith dated a letter from 'Wickford,' and wrote his **will** describing himself 'of Wickford.' It has retained that name to the present day.

The township, of which Wickford is the seat, is called Kingstown and was established in 1674 by the R. I. General Assembly, with 'the power of probation of wills.' In 1686, its name was changed to Rochester, but was changed back in 1689 to Kingstown, and it has born that name ever since, except that it is now divided into North and South Kingstown.

The **Kingstown records,** as we are informed by Mr. Nicholas Spink, the venerable ex-Town Clerk, did not begin until 1696, the population being very scant before that time; the Smiths and Updikes were almost the only residents before the great Swamp Fight in 1675; and long afterward the country was unsettled and the Indians were so dreaded that every stray savage was shot on sight like a wild beast. The old Kingstown records were unfortunately partly burned in 1870 in the Wickford bank where they were stored, burglars having set fire to the building in an attempt to rob the bank-safe. Some of the old books were entirely destroyed, and the others so charred that only the centres of the detached leaves now remain. The author and his cousin spent two days in the examination of these charred leaflets and found only a few earlier than 1696, which in fact is the beginning of the records acccording to the titles upon the tin boxes which now contain them. In the few records which were found of earlier date, no mention was made of any Opdyck or Updike. It is therefore impossible to conclude from these records whether Gysbert Opdyck ever moved to Rhode Island, or which of his children resided there before 1696.

It is proved however by other records of Rhode Island Colony, that Gysbert's Children, Lodowick, Richard, and Elizabeth, resided at Wickford, or near there, as early as 1668 and 1671. . .

Richard Smith Sr. died in 1666, leaving by his will his dwelling house and 'lands thereto belonging, lying in Wickford,' to his son Richard; and dividing all his 'share of land of the last purchase' and all his personal property, between his four children or their heirs, among whom were the children of his daughter Catherine Smith, the deceased wife of Gysbert Opdyck. . .

Elizabeth Opdyck, daughter of Gysbert Opdyck, was baptized July 27, 1644, in the Dutch Church of New Amsterdam in the presence of Governor Kieft and Secretary van Tienhoven, sponsors. Died before 1722. Married George Wightman, who appears to have been a man of prominence at Wickford, R. I., from the very earliest records of that colony.

George Wightman's name appears as "George Weightman of Narragansett" (admitted freeman of Colony of RI and P.P.) on 5.6.1673 (Opdyke's ref: **RI Col. Rec,** II.483.). His name appears as George Wightman of Acquednesitt among 13 regarding claims to their land on document dated 5.20.1671 (RI Col. Rec. II.391.). Three of George Wightman's children are identified on the half-burned pages of his **Will.** Named in 1722 are his three daughters Elizabeth Huling, Alice Weight, and Sarah Peterson. . . (Wickford Rec.).

Rhode Islanders George Wightman and Elizabeth Updike, his wife, are named with their children including their son John Wightman in Austin's **Genealogical Dictionary of RI** (1887). Named also is John Wightman's wife **Jane Bentley,** the daughter of **WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y** of Kingstown, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations (Be207.).

In his letter of **1664, Charles the Second** addresses the Collonies regarding his subjects including **Richard Smith.**

Charles R.

Trusty and well beloved: Wee greet you well. Whereas wee have bin given to understand, that our good subjects, **Tho: Chiffinch, Jno. Scott, John Winthrop, Daniell Denison, Lyman Bradstreete, Tho: Willet, Rich'd Smith, Edw. Hutchinson, Amos Richeson, Jno: Alcock, Wm. Hudson,** and their associates, having in the right of **Major Atherton** a just propriety in the Naroganset Country in New England, by grants from native Princes of that country, and being desirous to improve it as an English Collony and Plantation, to the inlarging of our empire, and the common good of our subjects, they are yet dayly disturbed and injustly molested in their possetion and laudable indeavors by certaine unreasonable and turbulant sperits of Providence Collony of New England aforesaid, to the great scandal of Justice and Government, and the eminent discouragement of that hopeful plantation, we have therefore thought fitt hereby effectually to recommend the Proprietors to your neighbourly kindness and protection, the proprietors to be permitted peasably to improve their Colony and Plantation in New England, willing you to bee on all occasions assisting to them against such unjust oppressions and molestations, that see they may be secured in the full and peacable injoyment of their said Country, according to the right and title they have to it whearin we will not dought of your readyness and care, and shall on all good occasions express how gratiously we accept of your complyance with this our recommendation, and so we bid you farewell. Given at our Court at Whitehall, the 21st day of June, in

the **fourth** year of our Raigne. By his Majestys Command, **Henry Bennett**

(Ref.: **R. I. Col. Rec.** I., p. 466; as quoted in C. W. Opdyke's **The op Dyck Genealogy,** pp 77-8) (error?: "1664," as "fifteenth year" of reign).[1]

On **July 21, 1679,** in testifying before the Assembly, John Greene said that "forty years and more, Mr. Richard Smith, that I did live with, did first begin to make a settlement in the Narragansett." . . . (R. I. Col. Rec. III., 56; as quoted in C. W. Opdyke's **The op Dyck Genealogy,** p. 78).

On **July 24, 1679,** Roger Williams gave testimony in favor of Richard Smith's title to the Wickford lands.

> Nahiggonsett, I, Roger Williams, of Providence, in the Nahiggonsett bay, in New England, being (by God's mercy) the first beginner of the mother town of Providence and of the colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, being now nearly four score years of age;[2] yet, (by God's mercy), of sound understanding and memory; do humbly and faithfully declare, that Mr. Richard Smith, sen., who for his conscience to God left fair possessions in Glostershire and adventured with his relations and estate to New England, was a most acceptable inhabitant, and prime leading man in Taunton, in Plymouth colony. For his conscience sake (many differences arising), he left Taunton and came to the Narragansett country, where by God's mercy, and the favor of the Narragansett Sachems, he broke the ice (at his great charge and hazard) and put up in the thickest of the barbarians the first English house among them. I humbly testify that about forty years ago from this date, he kept possession, coming and going himself, children and servants, and he had quiet possession of his houses, lands and meadows, and there in his own house, with much serenity of soul and comfort, he yielded up his spirit to God, the father of spirits, in peace. I do humbly and faithfully testify as aforesaid, that since his departure his honored son, Capt. Richard Smith, hath kept possession (with much acceptation with English and Pagans) of his father's houses, lands and meadows, with great improvement, also by his great cost and industry, and in the late bloody Pagan war, I knowingly testify and declare, that it pleased the Most High to make use of himself in person, his houses, his goods, corn, provisions and cattle, for a garrison and supply to the whole army of New England, under the command of the ever to be honored Gen. Winslow, in the service of his Majesty's honor and country of New England. I do also humbly declare, that the said Richard Smith, Jun., ought by all the rules of equity, justice and gratitude to his honored father and himself, to be fairly treated with, considered, recruited, honored, and by his Majesty's

[1]Charles II, King of Great Britain and Ireland from May 8, 1660, to February 6, 1685, was born May 29, 1630. He died in 1685. Two historical events occurred during his reign namely the Great Plague of 1665 and the Great Fire of London in 1666.

[2]See also Be 163. for sketch (biog.) of Roger Williams.

authority confirmed and established in a peaceful possession of his Father's and his own possessions in this Pagan wilderness and Narragansett country. The premises I humbly testify, as now leaving the country and this world. Roger Williams

(Ref.: **Memoirs R.I. Bar,** pp 253-4; as quoted in C. W. Opdyke's **The op Dyck Genealogy,** p. 79).

The importance of the following petition lies in the personal account of the life of the inhabitants of the Narragansett Country from its first white settlement in 1637 *ca,* by Richard Smith, Senior, to July 29, 1679, the date of the petition (Be205.A.). The location of the original petition, document CO 1/43 no. 99, is the Public Record Office KEW, Richmond, Surrey, England.

The Petition from the Inhabitants of the Narragansett Country to King Charles II in 1679 A. D.

TO THE KINGS MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

The Humble Petition and Remonsterance of your Subjects ye Inhabitants of ye Narraganset Countrey in ye Southerne pts of New England Caled by your Majesties Comissioners The King Province.

May it Please yo: Majesty, About Forty two Yeares since The fath: of one of yo: Petitioners namely Richard Smith deceased, who sold his Possesions in Glausestershire,[1] and came into New England, began ye first setlem't: of ye Narraganset Country, then liveing at Taunton in ye Collony of New Plimoth; And Erected a Trading House on ye same Tract of land, where now his son Richard Smith Inhabits not only at his cost & charge, but great Hazerd, not without ye consent & aprobation of ye Natives who then were very numerous, and gave him land to sett his House on, being well sattisfid in his comeing thither, that they might be supplyed with such Nessesaries as affore times they wanted, and y't at their owne homes without much Travall for ye same, The said Richard Smith likwise being as well pleased in his new settlement: in a Double respect, First y't hee might be Instrumentall under god in ye Propagating ye Gospel amonge ye Natives who knew not god as they ought to know him, and took great paines therein to his dying day. Secondly, That that place might affoard him a refuge & shelter in time to come, For ye future Subsistance of him, & his, wherein hee was not deceived in his Expectations for loosing almost all hee had in ye Indian Warr among ye dutch, where hee likewise made a Settlement, Chose at last this place of Narrowganset for his only abode, no English liveing nerer to him then Pautuxet[2] at his first setleing, being neare Twenty Miles from him that place now caled Warwick, not then thought on: Much about y't time some Gentlemen of ye Masachusets Colloney

[1] Gloucestershire, England

[2] Pawtuxet

removed from . . . habitations & came to ye Narraganset Bay and purchased of ye Natives an Island in said Bay and caled it Roade Island, Mr. Codinton[1] being ye Cheifest of them and who only purchased ye same and was ye first and Cheifest Gover: they had for many Setting up among themselves A Goverm't: by consent for ye well ordering of their owne affaires, and for ye peace and security therein. In process of time y't place called warwick was settled by Mr. Gorton and Holden and others, whereby Richard Smith afores'd: had some Neighbours nearer to him, and afterwards Mr. Roger Williams of Providence likewise came to Narraganset and built a House for trade neare unto ye former House of Richard Smiths, who in some short time quitted his setlement and sould it to ye said Richard Smith, who lived there Alone for many Yeares his House being ye resting place & Rendevouze for all Travallers pasing that way which was of great benefit and use to ye Countrey, And was at no small cost and Charge therein for many yeares togethe: to ye Great releife of all Travallers. But time y't produces Changes caused him being wearie of liveing allone in A Dessolate wildernesse. Yet haveing plenty of Indians and wild Cretures, to desire neighbourhood and invited his Neighbours in New England to purchase of ye Indians and settle ye Countrey w'th: him which accordingly some well affected persons of Road Island, and some of ye Masachusets Collony, Conneticot and new Plimoth joyned w'th: ye said Richard Smith and his son Richard Smith yo: present petitioner, who lived there w'th: his Father, and made two small purchases of 2 Tracts of land by ye seaside, and much about ye same time some of Road Island purchased an Island in ye Bay caled by ye Natives Quononaquat, and anoth: company of Road Island & Boston Joyned togethe: but most of Road Island purchased anoth: Tract of Land in ye Narrowganset Country, to ye Southward of that above mentioned first for ye digging of Bla Lead[2] afterwards for their further settlement, whereby ye Country came to be Inhabited with English to ye Great cost and charge of ye first settlers, The Country being all this while under no setled Goverm't: Yet claimed by severall Collonies by vertue of grants from some lords in England in ye Times of ye troubles there, But no settled Goverm't: till your Majestie was pleased to grant yo: gratious letters Pattents to Coneticot and Road Island, both w'ch: Including ye Narraganset Countrey caused great troubles to ye Inhabitants by making them offenders, for not complying w'th: aither as they were commanded, when in truth they knew not whome to submitt to, and was ye only hinderance of ye setlem't: of y't Country, some of ye purchasers and ye propriators thereof Choosing to submit unto ye Goverm't: of Conneticut, as per Artickles of agreem't: made between ye agents of Each Colloney in England, by ye lord Brewerton, Cap't: Deane, Major Thompson, Docto: Worsley and Cap't: Brookhaven may appeare

[1] Mr. William Coddington

[2] black lead

yet notwithstanding this proved inaffectuall to ye Ends of peace and unity so much desired, to ye Great Greiveance and discoragem't: of ye Inhabitants that were there minded to improve their settlements, Though some of ye same Purchasers haveing sold their rights to others now endeavore to obstruct ye rest of their Co Purchasers in ye enjoym't: of theirs, But Differences still encreasing about ye Goverm't: Yo: Majesties Comissioners in ye yeare 1664 viz't: S'r Robert Carr, Collonell Cartwright and Samuell Maverick, Gave ye name of Kings Province to ye Narraganset Country and forbid any Persons of any Jurydiction whatsoever to Exercise any Authority in ye said Kings Province, But who should be Authorized by them, und: their hands and seales untill yo: Majesties Pleasure was further knowne since which ye s'd: Comissioners granted forth orders for settling pt thereof, as to Mr. Brown, Cap't: Willit and others, Not withstanding w'ch: the Goverm't: of Road Island hath of late foresed a setlem't: upon some of our said lands contrary to ye s'd: Comissioners ord: and yo: Majesties letter as lately at A place they called East Greenwich in the times of these truebles and Contests ye Indians proved Insolent and very Injurious to yo: Petitioners the Inhabitants note without private abettors, as was suspected killed our cattle Destroyed . . . and Plundred some of our Houses so that wee were hardly able to live among them, some of us loosing in some few yeares neare 150 Head of Cattle, And when complaint was made to our superiours at Road Island, wee could have no releife, which made some of us apply our selves to ye Masachusets Colloney for Redress of these outrages and inormities comited against us. According to an Order of yo: Majesties Granted unto them about ye yeare 1663 but still were without Remedy — which many of us foresaw would End in A warr w'th: ye Indians if not timely and wisely prevented, which afterwards came on apace to ye Ruin and Distruction of yo: Petitioners visabell Estates in that Province. So that it became A disolate wildernesse againe. And instead of Christian People Replenished w'th: Howling wolves and other wild Cretures — but it pleased ye Lord in his due Time to put A period to these warrs. And yo: Petitioners ye former Inhabitants, went over from Road Island whither wee retreated w'th: that little we had left, where it cost us one halfe of our Cattle to keep the rest and carry us over. So cold was their charity to their poore neighbours in destress, and then and since Imposed taxes on us when yo: Petitioners had hardly anything left for ye subsistance of themselves and little ones. And settled in the Kings Province againe, when very dangerous liveing in Sellars and wholes under Ground, Till wee got A little beforehand to rebuild, w'ch with our our owne industry and hard laboure wee hope in time to Effect if not Discouraged and hindered by many that threaten to turne us of — May it please yo: Majestie this being in short, the true state of affaires of ye Narraganset Countrey and ye People there Inhabiting from ye first setlement to this

present time, yo: Petitioners ye Inhabitants thereof do Humbly suplycate yo: Majestie, as you have been pleased to send yo: gratious letters to ye foure Colloneys of New England strictly to will and Require . . . to will and require them to take care of the Inhabitants there at present, So that you would in yo: Princly wisdom and Royall bounty and Justis, for ye future voutsafe an eye of favore upon ye poore Inhabitants yo: Petitioners the first settlers thereof in A more Peculier maner, who have been at Great cost and charge, and have laid out (most of us) all wee have in this world upon the same, and are not able to subsist, If removed from thence, It being now become in a maner our Native Countrey to some of us, and is as to many of our Children who were there borne, and wee hope and promise for our selves and Children that shall suceed us, That yo: Majestie in no part of New England shall have more Loyall and fathfull Subjects then yo: Present Pettitioners, Humbly requesting and Desireing that yo: Majestie would put an End to these differences about ye Goverm't: thereof which hath been so fatall to Prosperitie of ye place, animosites still ariseing in Peoples minds as they stand affected to this or that Goverm't: and may be wronged and Injured by eith: Goverm't: of these that take place, The transactions of former things being fresh in memory, an Impariall and equall Judicature being the Great and Earnest desires of yo: Petitioners to live under . . . wearied out w'th: ye former contests and ye Troubles wee have mett with from both Collonies Commanding us Do all of us unanimously and w'th: one consent suplicate yo: Majestie not to leave us to ye Goverm't: and dispose of those y't seek advantages against . . . Country being large and able to containe many fammiles may make an Intire Province, If yo: Majestie . . .ause. And yo: Petitioners shall ever pray . . .And subscribe yo: Majesties Humble Loyall and obedient Subjects[1]

Kings Province in Naragansett July 29th: 1679

Column 4.

1. Rich: Smith	Richard Smith, Junior
2. Jer: Bull	Jireh "Jerry" Bull
3. Tho: Gold	Thomas Gould
4. Sam: Wilson	Samuel Wilson
5. James Renalls	James Reynolds, Senior
6. Rob't Spink	Robert Spink, Senior
7. Sam: Alsbery	Unidentified
8. Hen: Tipets	Henry Tibbitts
9. Wm Knolls	William Knowles

[1]The names of the petitioners appeared in four columns. The names in the fourth column or the column on the extreme right were believed to have been written first followed by those names in the third column, second, and the first. The names printed here follow this order in one column. To the right of each name is a second list of those names identified in J. O. Austin's **Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island.**

10. Rouse Helme	Rouse Helme
11. Lodwick Updich	Lodowick Updike
Column 3.	
12. John Green	John Greene
13. John Coale	John Cole
14. Sam: Eldred	Samuel Eldred
15. Geo: Whitman	George Wightman
16. James Green	James Greene
17. John Eldred	John Eldred
18. Daniel Eldred	Daniel Eldred
19. Joseph Dalaver	Joseph Dolover
20. Alixander Fenex	Alexander Phenix
21. Wm Coston	Unidentified
22. Aron Jackwaies	Aaron Jacques
23. Tho: Brooks	Unidentified
24. Geo: Palmer	George Palmer
25. Joseph Renols	Joseph Reynolds
Column 2.	
26. Hen: Gardner	Henry Gardiner
27. Benj: Gardner	Benoni Gardiner
28. Geo Gardner	George Gardiner
29. Arthur Aylworth	Arthur Aylesworth
30. Robert Vinin	Unidentified
31. Thomas Souell	Unidentified
32. Robert Spink Juni	Robert Spink, Junior
33. John Shelldin	John Sheldon
34. William Gardner	William Gardiner
35. John Sheldon Juni	Unidentified
36. Frall Newton	Unidentified
Column 1.	
37. **William Bently**[1]	**William Bentl(e)y**
38. Nicholas Gardner	Nicholas Gardiner
39. Daniel Green	Daniel Greene
40. Hen: Renalls	Henry Reynolds
41. James Renalls	James Reynolds, Junior
42. Daniel Swete	Daniel Sweet

"Copy. Petition of The Inhabitants of The Narragansett Country. Rec'd from Mr. Lewyn the 3 March 1679/80."

[1]Petitioner "William Bently" is believed to have been **Ancestor WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y, X.193., Be.F.**

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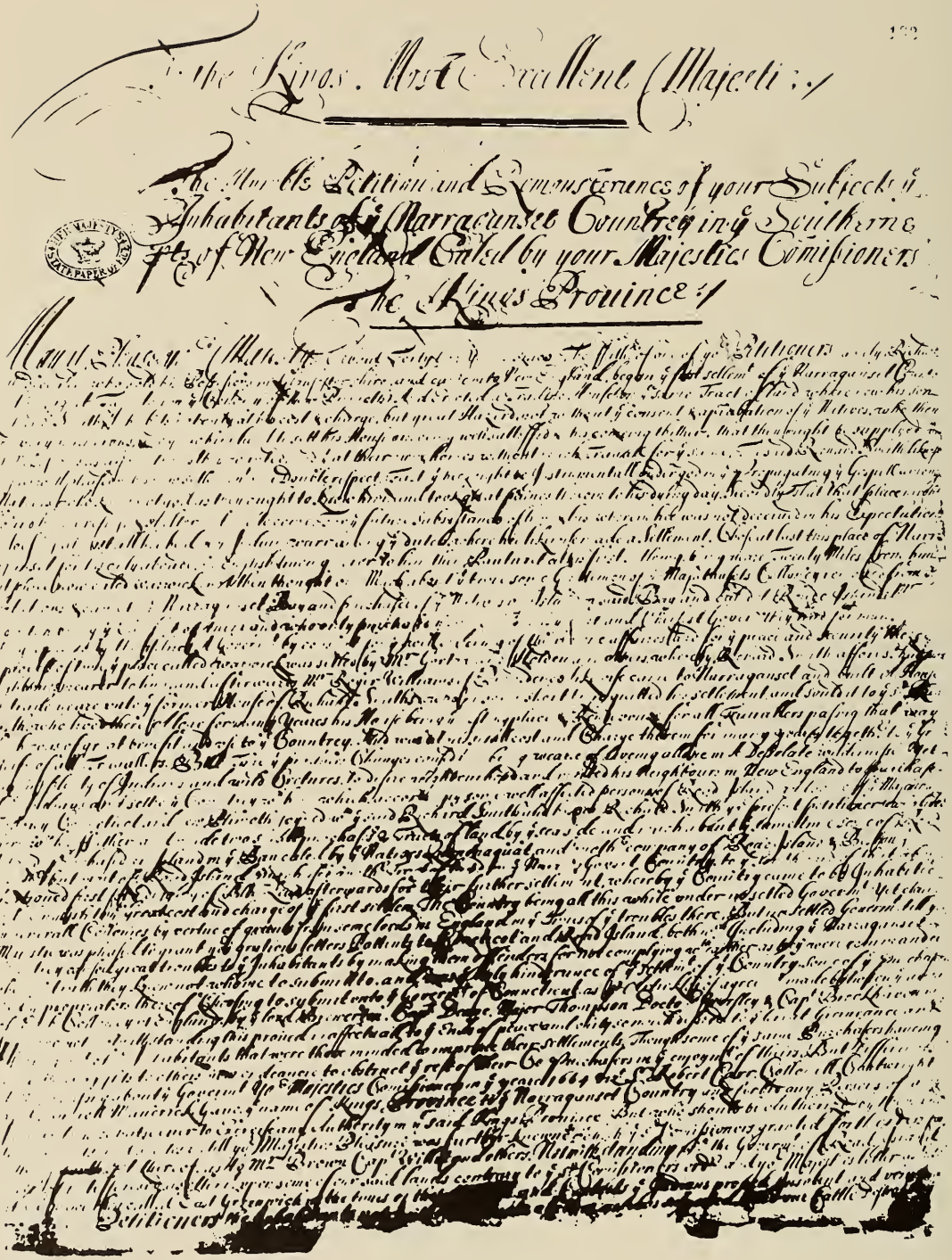
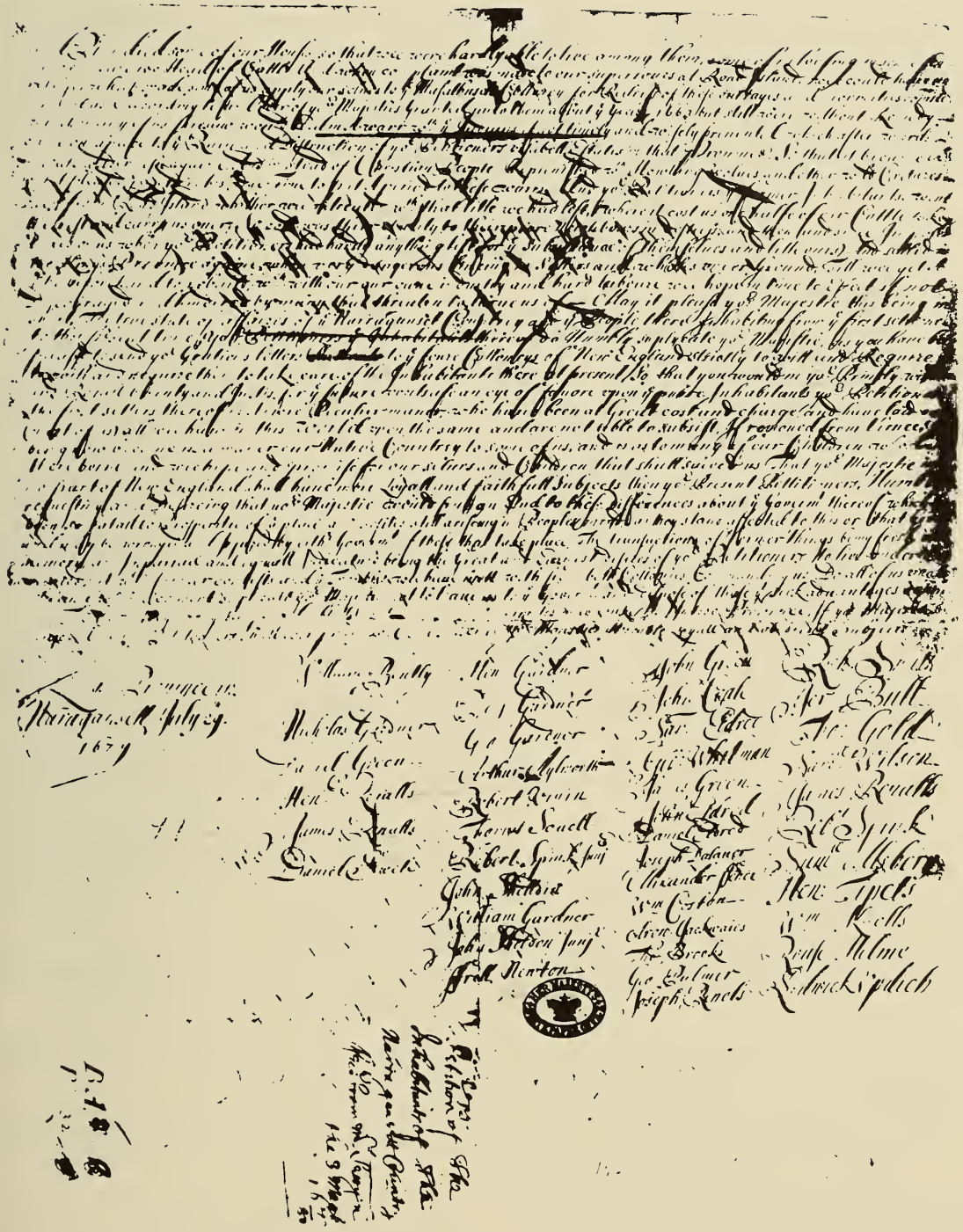


The Kings Most Excellent Majestie

The Humble Petition and Remonstrance of your Subjects ye Inhabitants of ye Narragansett Countrey in ye Southerne Pts of New England Called by your Majesties Comissioners The Kings Province

Be:



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For most of the forty-two names of Narragansett settlers appearing on the printed copy in the RI State Archives (Colonial Records) of the petition (Be205.B.) "signed in one hand," dated July 29, 1679, and sent to King Charles II of England, the following identities were made by J.O. Austin in **The Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island.**

(1) Bently, William (William Bentley of Kings Town, RI);

(2) Gardner, Henry (Henry Gardiner of Kings Town, RI; son of George Gardiner, Sr.);

(3) Greene, John (of Kings Town, RI);

(4) Smith, Richard (of Kings Town, RI; son of Richard of Gloucester Co., England, Taunton, MA, and of Kings Town, RI) (Opdyke, C. W., **The op Dyck Genealogy, 1889);**

(5) Gardner, Nicholas (Nicholas Gardiner of Kings Town, RI; son of George Gardiner, Sr.);

(6) Gardner, Benj. (Benoni Gardiner of Kings Town, RI; son of George Gardiner, Sr.);

(7) Coale, John (John Cole of Kings Town, RI, formerly of Boston, MA; Samuel's son);

(8) Bull, Jer. (Jireh "Jerry" Bull of Newport and Kings Town, RI; Henry's son);

(9) Gardner, Geo. (George Gardiner of Kingstown, RI; son of George Gardiner, Sr.);

(10) Eldred, Sam. (Samuel Eldred of Kings Town, RI, formerly of Cambridge, MA, and Stonington, CT);

(11) Gold, Tho. (Thomas Gould of Kings Town, RI);

(12) Greene, Daniel (Daniel Greene of North Kingstown, RI; John's son);

(13) Aylworth, Arthur (Arthur Aylsworth of North Kingstown, RI);

(14) Whitman, Geo. (George Wightman of Kings Town, RI);

(15) Wilson, Sam. (Samuel Wilson of Kings Town, RI);

(16) Reynolds, Hen. (Henry Reynolds of Kings Town and East Greenwich, RI; son of James Reynolds, Sr.);

(17) Vinin, Robert (unidentified);

(18) Greene, James (James Greene of North Kingstown, RI; son of John);

(19) Reynolds, James (James Reynolds, Sr., of Kings Town, RI; son of William);

(20) Eldred, John (John Eldred of North Kingstown, RI; Samuel's son);

(21) Reynolds, James (James Reynolds, Jr., of Kings Town, RI; son of James Reynolds, Sr.);

(22) Sovell, Thomas (unidentified); Souell (?); Soule (?);

Be:

(23) Eldred, Daniel (Daniel Eldred of Kings Town, RI; Stonington, CT; and North Kingstown, RI; Samuel's son);

(24) Spink, Rob't (Robert Spink, Sr., of Kings Town, RI);

(25) Swete, Daniel (Daniel Sweet of Warwick and?);

(26) Spink, Rob't, Jun'r (Robert Spink, Jr., of Kings Town, RI);

(27) Dalauer, Joseph (Joseph Dolover of Kings Town);

(28) Alsbery, Sam. (unidentified);

(29) Shelldin, John (John Sheldon of Kings Town, RI);

(30) Fenix, Alexander (Alexander Phenix of Kings Town, RI, and formerly of New Amsterdam, *i.e.* NY);

(31) Gardner, William (William Gardiner of Kings Town, RI; son of George Gardiner, Sr.);

(32) Coston, William (unidentified);

(33) Tipets, Henry (Henry Tibbitts of Kings Town, RI);

(34) Sheldon, John, Jun'r (unidentified; probably the son of John Sheldon, Sr., of Kings Town, RI);

(35) Jackwaies, Aron (Aaron Jacques of Kings town, RI);

(36) Knolls, William (William Knowles of Portsmouth, Warwick, Kings Town, and South Kingstown, RI);

(37) Newton, Frell (unidentified; Israel Newton?);

(38) Brooks, Thos. (unidentified);

(39) Helme, Rouse (Rouse Helme of Kings Town, RI; Christopher's son);

(40) Palmer, Geo. (George Palmer of Warwick, Providence, and Kings Town, RI; ref.: **American Genealogist,** July, 1943, 20:53);

(41) Reynolds, Joseph (Joseph Reynolds of North Kingstown, RI; son of James Reynolds, Sr.); and

(42) Updike, Lodwick (Lodowick Updike of North Kingstown, RI; son of Gilbert Updike of Wesel, Germany, Lloyds Neck, NY, and Kings Town, RI, originally "Gysbert op Dyck," son of Lodowick Op Ten Dyck).

In **The op Dyck Genealogy,** 1889, C. W. Opdyke wrote that Richard Smith, Jr., like his father, favored the jurisdiction of CT over the Narragansett country, and that he was no doubt the writer of the petition to the King in 1679. His title to the large tracts of land, granted to his father by the Narragansett Sachems, was upheld by Roger Williams in 1679.

The Last Will and Testament of **WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y, Be:F.**

The following is a copy of the fire-damaged Will and Personal Inventory of WILLIAM BENTLY of the ". . . Collony of Rhoad Island . . . England Curryer . . . Kings town . . . Upon . . . Order of the Court and Sealled with . . . 11th Day of July 1720 . . . Francis Willett" --pages 11-15.[1]

Line by line:

Page 11 of the Book.

". . .
. . . Collony of Rhoad Island . . .
. . . England Curryer being Antiant and . . .
. . .erfect minde and Memory and there. . .
. . . Mortality of my Body and knowing . . .
. . . all men once to Dye Do make and Ord. . .
. . .ill and Testament that is to Say Princip. . .
. . . I Give and recommend my Soul in. . .
. . .at Gave it and my Body I recom'end . . .
. . . Buried in Decent Christiall Buriall . . .
. . . my Executrix and Executor hereafter . . .
. . . Worldly Estate where w: . . . it hath . . .
. . . this Life I Give demise and Dispose . . .
. . . following manner and forme.
. . . I Give and bequeath to my Eldest Son Wi . .
. . . five Shillings.
. . . Give to my Son James Bently five . . .
. . . Give to my Son Thomas Bently fiv. . .
. . . Give to my Daughter Jane Whittman. . .
. . . the above Mentioned Lagasies to be . . .
. . . After my Decease by Executrix . . .
. . . .ed:
. . . I Give and Bequeath to my Son Benja. . .
. . . .ract of Land which I bought of Capt. . .
. . . Estimation Eight Acres Lying in . . .
. . . . . .

Page 12 of the Book.

. . .
. . . unto him and his heires . . .
. . . well beloved wife Sarah Bently all the. . .
. . .art of my Moveable Estate to be & rema. . .
. . . her Dispose whome I make my Executri. . .
. . . Last will and Testament Rattifiing . . .
. . . this and No Other to be my Last will and . . .

[1] **Kingstown Probate Records,** 6:11 (From XEROX Copy made in 1978).

. . . In witness whereof I have here unto . . .
. . . Seall the Day and Yeare first above . . .
. . .ified Ronounced
. . . the Said William --
. . .ast will and Testa-
. . . . . the
Sen. . .
. . . the marke of William W Bently . .
.
. . .
. . . Personally Appeared before the Town . . .
. . . Capt. John Eldred . . . Rob't Brownell . .
.
. . . . . goeing will and Did Declare . . .
. . . Said William Bently Dec'd Signe . . .
. . . the above and within Written to be his . .
.
. . . Testament and that he was of A Sound . .
.
. . .de and Memory and they Sett . . .
. . . Wittnesses Signed . . . order of the Cou. .
.
. . . . .
. . . Francis Willett . . .

Page 13 of the Book.

. . .
. . . Subscribers in said town this Nin. . .
. . . 1720 is As followeth- - - -
. . . To his wareing apparril - - -
. . . To 3 Yards of Pulled Cloth - - -
. . . To one feather bead & furniture belonging . . .
. . . To one old flock bead & beading - - -
. . . To pewter - - -
. . . To Earthen Ware - - -
. . . To Wooden Ware - - -
. . . To Two Tables - - -
. . . To Six old Chares - - -
. . . To Iron Ware - - -
. . . To three Grind Stones - - -
. . . .o brass ware - - -
. . . .o one Horse - - -
. . . .o one Cow - - -
. . . . .a Carte and horse Tackling - - -
. . . . . Whiel (?) - - -
. . . . one Old Leather Babb - - -

Be:

. . . . one Pig - - -
. . . . thre paire of Sheets and one Pillo. . .
. . . .one Saddle - - -

Page 14 of the Book.

. . . the . . .
. . . the Goods of William . . .
. . . presented to theire Viced Auord. . . (?)
. . . theire Understanding Signed . . .
. . . the 11th Day of July 1720.
. . . Francis Willette . . .

. . . Court (?) of Kings town in ye Collony of . . .
. . . . . has Granted unto Sarah Bently and . . .
. . . Bently Executrix and Executor to William . . .
. . . Kingstown Afores'd Dec'd Administration . . .
. . .ate of ye Afores'd William Bently Lyi. . .
. . . Kings town . . . Wee his Maj. . . Justic. . .
. . . of Said town being Impowered by the . . .
. . . Collony for the Granting of Administr. . .
. . . Afores'd To Sarah & Benjamin Bently . . .
. . . . . Care and fidility Do by these . . .
. . . unto you full power to Administer . . .
. . . Singular the Goods Chattles Eighty. . .
. . . . husband and father Afores'd De. . .
. . . . . to Levy recover . . . .

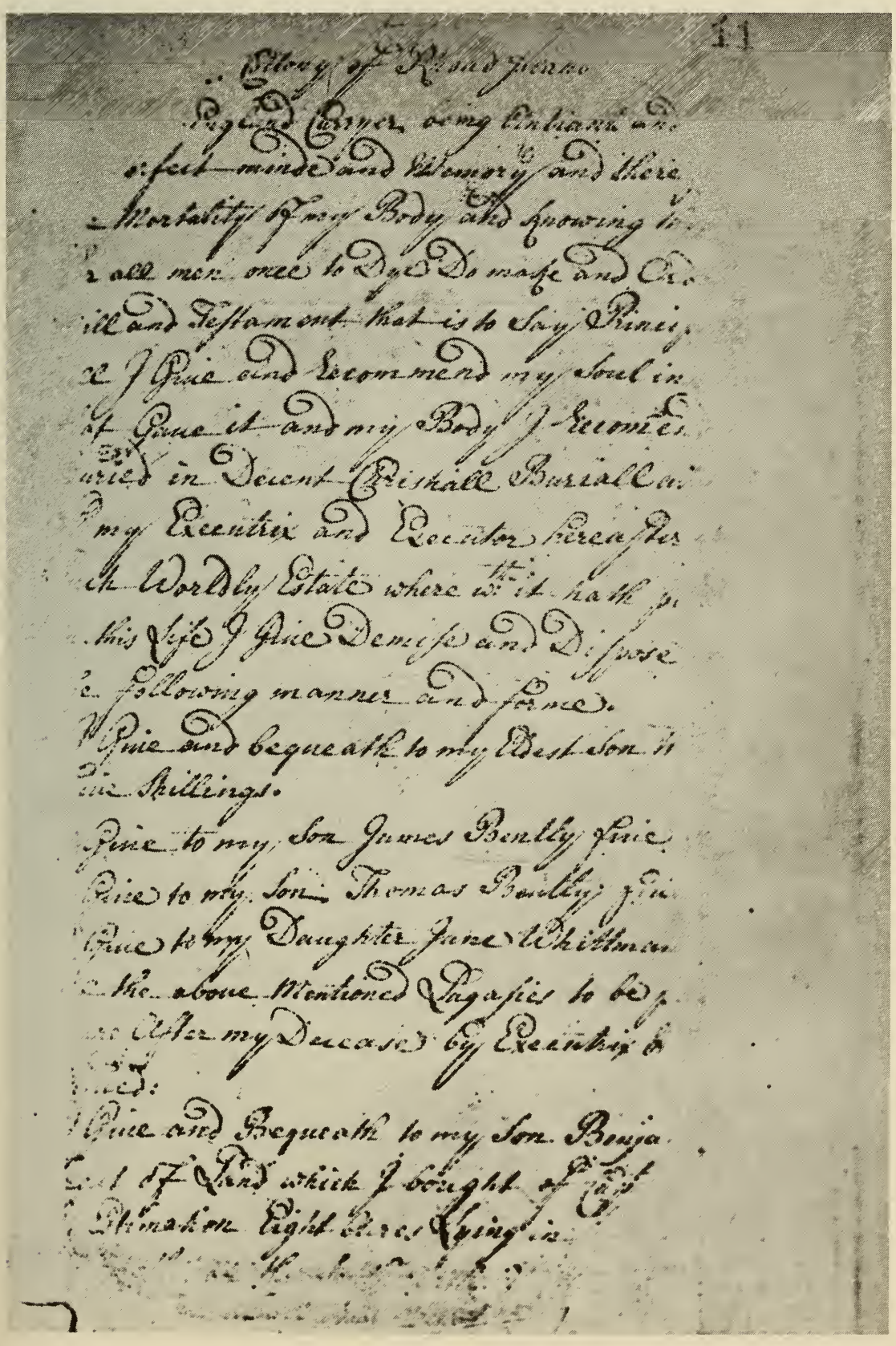
Page 15 of the Book.

. . . . . Aforesaid . . .
. . . .k and A Day After the Date h. . .
. . . . true Acco't of Your Adm'tion Upon . . .
. . . Order of the Court and Sealled with . . .
. . . 11th Day of July 1720
. . . Fran. . .

. . . . . .

Next Item:
An . . . of the Segaires . . .
the Estate of Gershom Mott . . .
Deceased . . . (*etc.*).

The Will and Personal Inventory of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y, **Be:F.** Doc: Kingstown Probate Record Book 6, pages 11-15 (RI).



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... unto him and his heires ...

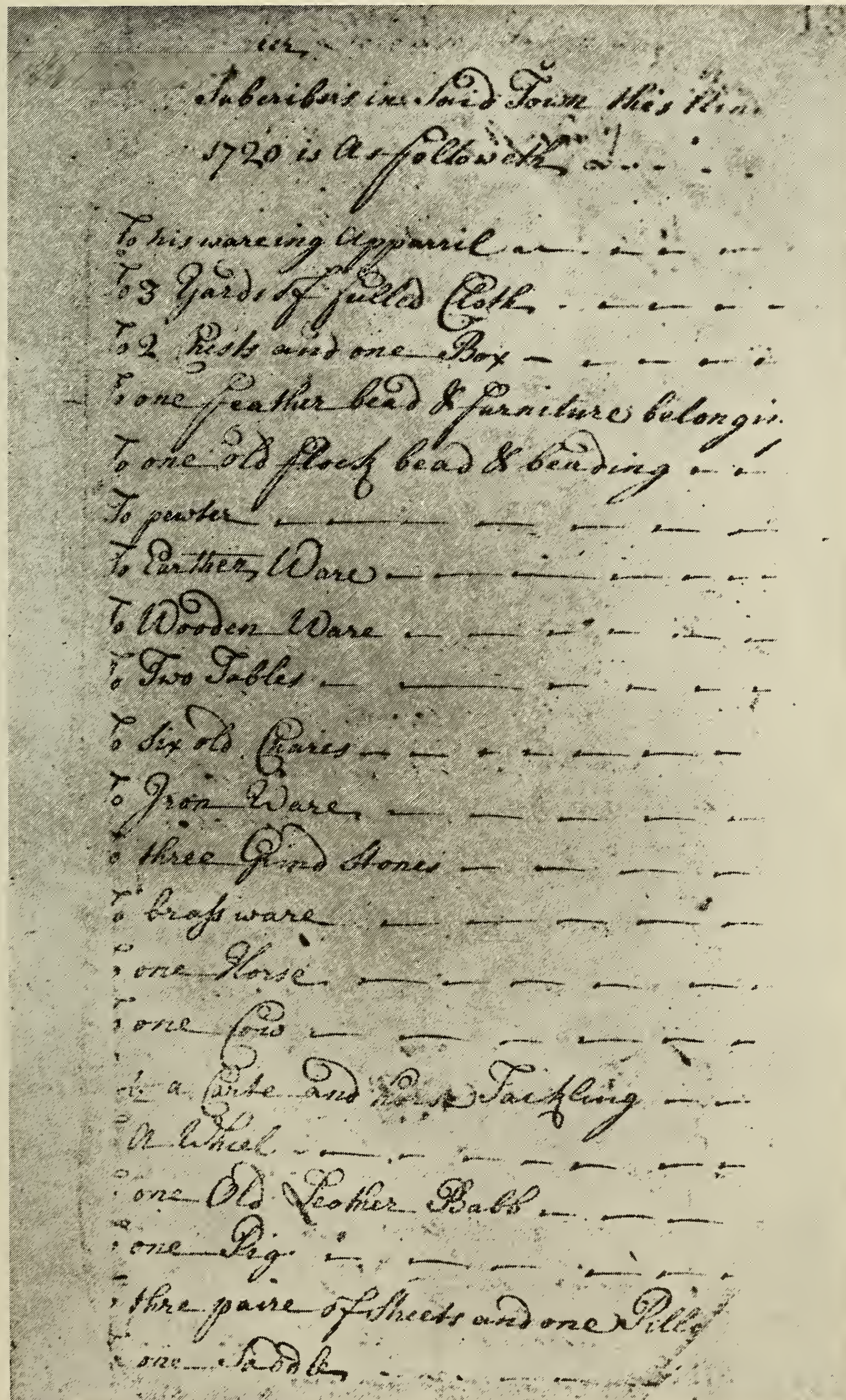
... well beloved wife Sarah Bently all the
... of my Moveable Estate to be & Rema...
... her Dispose whome I make my Executri...
... last will and Testament Rattifying ...
... this and no Other to be my Last will and
... In wittness where of I have hereunto ...
... and Seall the Day and Yeare first above

... Ratified Pronounced
... the said William ...
... last will and Testa...
... presence of us the

the marke of William W Bently

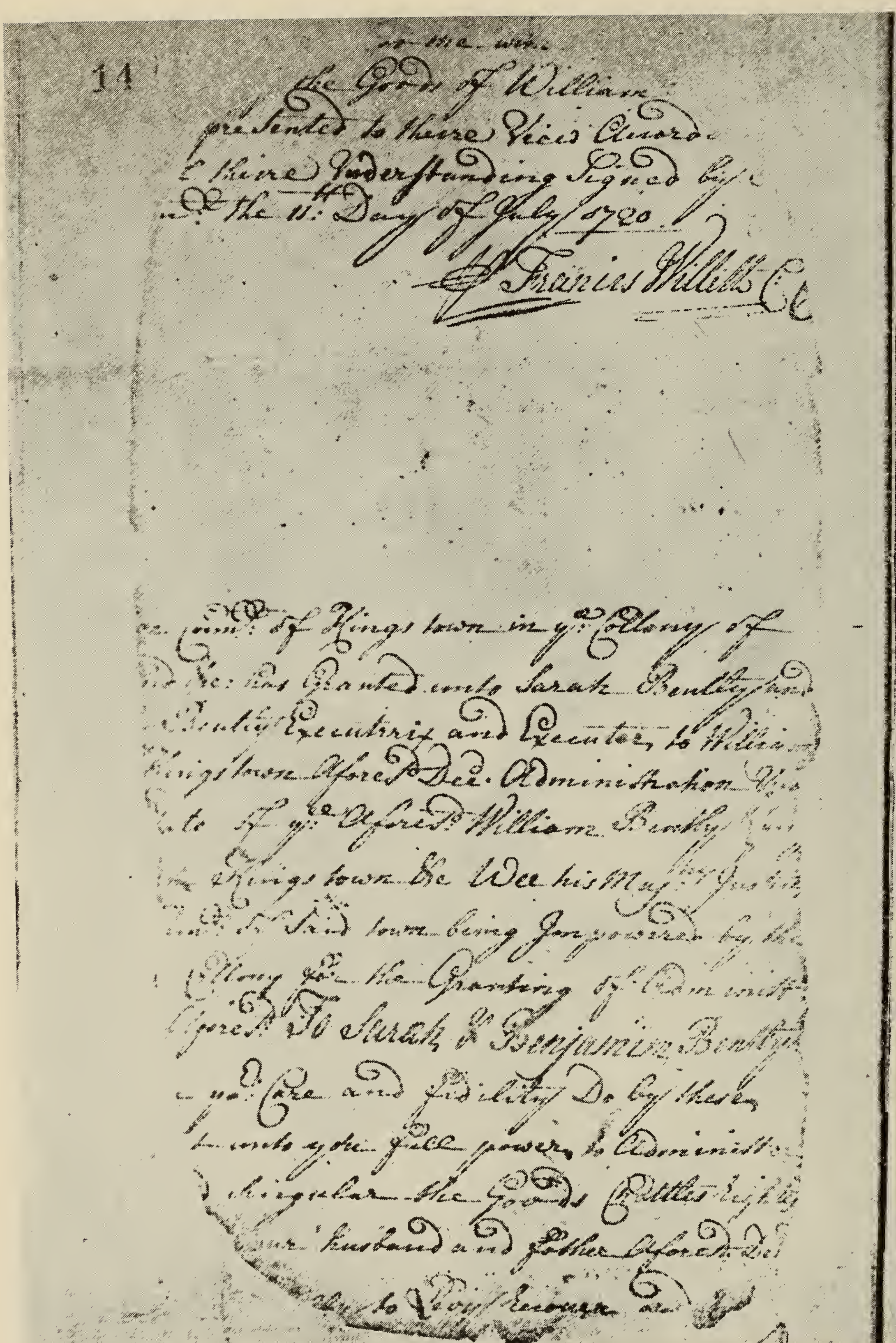
Personally Appeared before the ...
... John ... Mr Robt Brownell ...
... foregoing will and Did Declare that
... said William Bently Dec: Signe ...
... the above and within Written to be ...
... Testament and that he was of ... Sound
... and Memory and they Sett their
... Wittnesses Signed by order of the ...

Fr Francis Willett ...



Suberibers in Said Town this ...
1720 is as followeth

To his wareing Apparril
To 3 Yards of fulled Cloth
To 2 Chests and one Box
To one feather bead & furniture belongi...
To one old flock bead & beading
To pewter
To Earthen Ware
To Wooden Ware
To Two Tables
To Six old Chares
To Iron Ware
To three Grind Stones
To brass ware
To one Horse
To one Cow
To a Carte and Horse Tackling
To a Wheel
To one Old Leather Babb
To one Pig
To thre paire of Sheets and one Pillo...
To one Saddle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...to me wm.
the Goods of William
presented to theire Views Accord...
... theire Understanding Signed by
...d the 11th Day of July 1720.
Francis Willett C...

...the Council of Kingstown in ye Collony of
...nd &c: has Granted unto Sarah Bentley and
...Bentley Executrix and Executor to Willia...
Kingstown Aforesd Decd. Administration ...
...ate of ye Aforesd William Bentley ...
...Kingstown &c Wee his Majestys Justices
...and of Said town being Impowered by the
...Collony for the Granting of Adm unto
...Aforesd To Sarah & Benjamin Bentley
...your Care and fidelity Do by these
...unto you full power to Administer
...singular the Goods Chattles rights
...your husband and father Aforesd Decd
...ly to Law ...

Be:

...k and A Day After the Date he...
...ive Acco: of Your Admis:ion Upon
Order of the Comt: and Sealled with
11th Day of July 1720

An Acco: of the Legacies ...
the Estate of Gershom Mott
Deceased: by the Administr...

Paid to Mary Mott Relict of the ...
To Gershom Mott
To Jacob Mott
To William Mott
To Abigail Mott
To Lebana Mott
To David Mott
To Joseph Eaglestone
To John Mott
To Patience Mott
To Francis Willett

Be:

Towns in Washington County, RI.

Washington County was earlier known as Kings County.

1. **North Kingstown,** incorporated 10.28.1674, as **Kings Towne.** First settlement 1636. Name was changed to Rochester, 6.23.1686, but restored in 1689. Town divided into North and South Kingstown, 2.26.1722/3, which provided that North Kingstown should be the eldest town.

Under authority of Connecticut the town in 1663 was incorporated as Wickford, called Kings Towne because it was the town given the colony through the pleasure of the King. Original name Aquidnessett.

2. **Westerly,** incorporated 5.14.1669, Original name Misquamicutt. Called Haversham, 6.23.1686. Name restored as Westerly in 1689. Called Westerly because it was the most western town in the colony.

3. **South Kingstown,** incorporated 2.26.1722/3. Called by the proprietors Pettequomscutt.

4. **Charlestown** named from King Charles II. Town incorporated 8.22.1728. Taken from Westerly. Original name Shannock.

5. **Exeter,** incorporated 3.8.1742/3. Taken from North Kingstown. Called by the proprietors, Newbury, in honor of Walter Newbury, Treasurer of the company. Original name Yawgoo. Called Exeter after the English town of that name.

6. **Richmond,** incorporated 8.18.1747. Taken from Charlestown. Named in honor of William Richmond, a name which served the longest term as Assistant of any yet placed on our records.

7. **Hopkinton,** incorporated 3.19.1757. Taken from Westerly. Named in honor of Gov. Stephen Hopkins.[1]

The Narragansett Towns

The Narragansett country originally comprised a part of the present Kent County and all of the present Washington County.

The first white settler in the Narragansett country was Richard Smith, an Englishman. In 1641, he purchased from the Indians a tract of Cocumscussuck (one of its spellings)[2] which lay around

[1] Arnold, J. N., **Vital Record of Rhode Island, 1636--1850,** First Series, Births, Marriages and Deaths . . . Providence: Narragansett Historical Publishing Company, 1894.

[2] Present-day spelling is "Cocumscussoc;" a museum is open to the public (1981).

and west and northwest of Wickford. Smith built his blockhouse a short distance north of (the area that later became) the village.[1]

Roger Williams came down from Providence a few years later, and bought land and built a trading house near Smith's, but in 1651 sold it to him and returned to Providence.[2]

In 1656, Aquidnessett or Aquitawasett, also spelled Quidnesett, was purchased from the Indians. This land lies north and northeast of Wickford. In 1656, Smith purchased the southerly part of it, and this entire tract, as well as all of Smith's other lands, came to be known, interchangeably, as Quidnessett and Narragansett.

Pettaquamscutt was purchased in 1657 and was a large tract of land on the west side of the river that bears its name. It comprised most of the present South Kingstown.

Namcook, purchased in 1659, was called Boston Neck. In 1901 when it was incorporated it was given the name of Narragansett and must **not** be confused with the original Indian country of Narragansett which the colonies knew and which became the King's Province in 1665 and extended west almost to the present Connecticut boundary.

Misquamicut was settled in 1661. When in 1669 it was incorporated into the colony, it was named Westerly because of its most westerly location in the colony. It was the first township in the King's Province and the fifth in the colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations.

In 1674, Kingstown was incorporated as the second town in the King's province and the seventh in the colony: Providence, settled and named 1636; Portsmouth, settled 1638, named 1639; Newport, settled and named 1639; Warwick, settled 1643, named 1644; Westerly, settled 1661, incorporated and named 1669; New Shoreham, occupied in 1661, was admitted to the colony first as Block Island in 1664 and, when incorporated in 1672, its name was changed to New Shoreham; Kingstown, settled 1641, incorporated 1674.

In 1674, therefore, there were two towns in the King's province each of which included several villages in outlying parts, or where original settlements had been made.

[1] **Mass. Hist. Coll.** I, p. 216; **The op Dyck Genealogy** (1889). Richard Smith, about 1639, purchased a tract of the (from the) Narragansett Sachems, among the thickest of the Indians, erected a house for trade and gave free entertainment to travellers; it being (on) the great road of the country.

The tract was computed to be 30,000 acres located on the west side of Narragansett Bay, north of Annaquatucket River, east of the "Pequot Path" (known later as the Post Road), and south of Allen's Harbor. According to C. W. Opdyke, Richard Smith's trading house was on a very ancient path, often referred to in the old Deeds as the "Pequot Path," which was adopted by the early settlers as the great road (now the Post Road or Road to New London - ?) (see p. 1536) (?) of the country, all the travel from Boston and the North and East to CT and NY passing by Smith's trading-house (a blockhouse or "Smith's Castle"), erected for trading in furs and sewan with the Indians. This searcher, in 1981, enjoyed an interesting tour of renovated Smith's Castle.

[2] A plaque marks this location (1981).

The Narragansett country was named the King's Province on March 20, 1664/5. It was incorporated as King's County in June 1729. The name was changed to Washington County on October 29, 1781.

Kingstown was divided into North Kingstown and South Kingstown, in February 1722/3, the act providing that North Kingstown be considered the elder town.

Narragansett country included in part the land on the west side of the Narragansett Bay which later became the towns of Rhode Island Colony . . . eventually named North Kingstown and South Kingstown, both a part of what is now Washington County. The City of Providence is located at the northern extremity of the bay. North and South Kingstown were formerly known collectively as Kings Towne or Kingstown incorporated in 1674 (division in 1723). Settlement in the area that became North Kingstown began in 1636. Settlement in the area that became South Kingstown in the part that is **now** Narragansett Town began in 1675, the year that it was the scene of engagement between colonists and Narraganset Indians.

King Philip's War

Philip, whose Indian name was Metacomet, b ca. 1639, d 1676, was the son of Massasoit and brother of Alexander (Wamsutta). Philip became the sachem (Narragansett **sachima** or tribal chief) of the Wampanoag Indians from 1662 to 1676. Philip was the leader of the worst Indian war in New England's history. According to the **Encyclopaedia Britannica,**

> King Philip's War bears his name because he started it and became a symbol of the struggle, but he was never in command and actually had no major part in the battles after the summer of 1675. He was killed Aug. 12, 1676. The fact that this war was, in proportion to population, one of the most costly in lives ever fought in North America was more the result of **colonial inefficiency** than Indian genius in battle.[1]

Was **William Bentl(e)y (Be:F.)** a Soldier in the Narragansett Campaign During the Summer of 1675?

A list of the names of those soldiers who served the Massachusetts Colony in the Indian war of 1675-1678, known as "King Philip's War," was collated from the original Journal and Ledger of Mr. John Hull, Treasurer-at-war, and afterwards Treasurer of Massachusetts Colony. Under the head of "Military Service" are credited all who served in the war, with such items as assignments of pay together with dates and amounts. The Rolls of the Companies raised by the Colony of Massachusetts were restored as far as possible.

[1]Recommended ref.: Leach, D.E., **Flintlock and Tomahawk: New England in King Philip's War,** 1958.

Rev. G. M. Bodge wrote:[1] . . . the credits under Capt. Daniel Henchman during a period of 15 months (the period covered by this Journal), are all collected from date to date under his name. It will be remembered that the troops were not Regulars, and were only in service so long as occasion required, and were called together and disbanded at the pleasure of the Court; and so those who served under Capt. Henchman in the summer campaign from June to August, 1675, were disbanded, and for the most part may be found, in the Narragansett campaign, either under new officers or at home about their various employments, while others took their turn at the war. Many were engaged continually under different officers and at the garrisons. The above remarks apply more to the foot companies; the cavalry or "Troope" force was more regularly constituted.

What was the state of affairs in Boston on June 24, 1675, when news of the attack of the Indians on Swansea,[2] and Plymouth Colony's appeal for aid, arrived at the start of what has become known as King Philip's War? Regrettably, records of many important meetings at that time have been lost. Among the fragments preserved in the Massachusetts Archives, Vol. 67, Rev. Bodge chose the following (in part) as testimony of the energy which the Court displayed in answering the appeal of the sister colony.

The following is a portion of a letter from the General Court of Massachusetts Colony to Plymouth Colony, in answer to her appeal for assistance:

June 24, 1675

Hon'rd S'r According to what I writ you yesterday we are now convened in Council to Consider of your desire of a supply of some men from hence and we have resolved to rayse one hundred foote and 50 horse that shall be speedily upon their march towards Swansey . . . and for the furtherance and better management etc we have commissionated our faithful friend Major Thomas Savage etc . . .

(June 24, 1675) Att a meeting of the General Court on the 24. June 1675. Ordered that the Secretary issue out a warrant to the Constable of Boston to Impress forthwith five Able and Special horses for the service of the country, and that Capt. Savage and Capt Oliver have charge of them, and their men each of them one.

Capt Richard is voted to goe forth in this expedition.[3]

Capt Daniel Henchman was chosen and voted to goe forth as Capt of 100 men for the service of this Colony on ye designe to goe to Plymouth Col'y.

[1]Bodge, George M. (Rev.) (Communicator) (Dorchester, MA), "Soldiers in King Philip's War," **New England Historic Genealogical Society Register,** January, 1883, 37: 61-76; **"William Bently,** Soldier credited with Military Service under Capt. Daniel Henchman, "02 07 00," August 20, 1675," p. 65 (Be75.).

[2]Swansea, a Town, Bristol Co., SE Massachusetts, 3 mi. NW of Fall River; settled 1632, incorporated 1668; scene of the first bloodshed in King Philip's War 1675.

[3]but did not.

Be:

Capt Thomas Prentice is appointed to be Capt of the Horse.

To the Militia of the town of Boston, Cha., Camb., Watertown, Roxbury, Dorchester, Dedham, Brantrey, Weymouth, Hingham, Maulden----You are hereby required in his Majesty's name to take notice that the Gov'r and Council have ordered 100 able souldjers forthwith impressed out of the severall Towns according to the proportions hereunder written for the aid and assistance of our confederate Plymouth in the designe afoote ag'st the Indians, and accordingly you are to warne af'sd proportions to be ready at an hours warning from Capt Daniel Henchman who is appointed Captain and Commander of the Foote Company that each souldjer shal have his armes compleat and Snapsack ready to march and not faile to be at the randevous.

"To the Comittee of ---------"

"The Council is adjourned till tomorrow at 8 of the Clock at Roxbury"

E. R. Sec'y (i.e. Edward Rawson, Secretary)

Included in the archival records is the special commission of Capt. Henchman for this service.

To D. H. Capt. with the Consent of the Councill for the Colony of Mass. in New England.

Whereas you are apoynted Capt of a foote Company to Serve in this Expedition for the assistance of our neighbors of Plimouth against the insolences and outrages of the natives, these are to wil and require you to take charge of the said Company of foote, mounted as dragoons, and you are to command and instruct your inferior officers and soulgers according to military rules for the service and safety of the Country, and you to attend such orders from tyme to tyme as you shal receyve from your superior Commanders on the Council of this Colony.

Past 25 June 1675

E. R. Secy

Signed by ye Gov'nr

At the opening of the war the colonial militia was quite efficiently organized. There were seventy-three organized companies in the Massachusetts colony, besides an independent cavalry company called the "Three County Troop," made up in Suffolk, Middlesex, and Essex. These local companies were not sent on active service out of their towns, but men were impressed from the number and placed under officers appointed for special service by the Council. The regular number of privates in foot companies was 70, in the cavalry 50. On special service it was more.

On the Mount Hope expedition many used the Old Matchlock musket, the "Regulation" weapon of that time; but it was soon discarded as not so serviceable as the Flintlock or "Snaphance." There were no bayonets in use, but

each company at first had a number of Pikemen,[1] soon found to be useless in an Indian fight. The "Matchlock" was an exceedingly cumbersome affair, and was too long and heavy to fire at arm's length, so that each soldier was obliged to carry a "rest" (a crotched staff pointed at the foot with iron and attached to his wrist by a string). The Indians always used the Flintlock. The other equipments of a foot soldier were a "Snapsack," six feet of match or fuse, a Bandoleer, which was a leathern belt passing over the right shoulder and under the left arm, and containing a dozen or more round boxes each holding one charge of powder; a bag of bullets and a horn of priming-powder was also attached to this belt.

A "William Bently" was impressed as a foot soldier on June 25, 1675, and "discharged" on August 20, 1675, serving for a period of 56 days or **8 weeks.** His pay for this period was two pounds seven shillings and no pence. Assuming he received five shillings for diet and six shillings per week, the period of his service, calculated in this manner, appears to have been **8 weeks.**[2] Pay of 47s. less 5s. divided by 6s. per week = 8 weeks.

The list of Soldiers credited with Military Service under Capt. Daniel Henchman had 121 written names which Rev. Bodge judged to be the company that served in this campaign with Capt. Henchman.

A list[3] of 31 soldiers who were paid on August 20, 1675, of the total 121, the rest of which were paid on five other dates: August 21, 23/27, September 3, 14, and 21, 1675. The 31 soldiers with the amount of pay in pounds, shillings, and pence in the order they appear on the list were (with clerk's original spelling):

1 Thomas Burges	02	06	02
2 John Hills	00	06	00
3 John Lewis	01	14	03
4 John Angel	01	15	02
5 Benjamin Negus	01	15	02
6 John Chapman	02	02	00
7 Robert Smith	02	02	00

[1] a soldier armed with a pike or long pole having a metal spearhead.

[2] Quoting Rev. Bodge, "The pay of soldiers, according to Mr. Judd, in his **History of Hadley,** was 6s. (six shillings) pr week, and 5s. was paid for their 'dyet.' There is no way of determining the rate of pay from Hull's Journal, as all payments are "on acct" and do not specify time of service."

[3] The list of names are of those soldiers who probably nearly all were the men "impressed," as by the order of the Council. Doubtlessly many of them were from Boston and other adjacent towns. The records are preserved in three books, the **Journal,** covering the time from June 25, 1675, to September 23, 1676: the **first Ledger,** on which is posted about half the matter in the **Journal** (containing only 221 pages of about 600 originally); and a **second Ledger** covering the years 1677 and 1678 in part.

8 William Manly	02	08	00
9 Thomas Irons	02	07	00
10 Samuel Perkins	02	07	00
11 Hugh Taylor	02	07	00
12 David Jones	02	07	00
13 James Whippo	02	07	00
14 Theophilus Thornton	02	07	00
15 Nathaniel Osborne	02	07	00
16 Samuel Davis	02	07	00
17 Henry Kerby	02	07	00
18 Ephraim Hall	01	07	00
19 Richard Gibson	02	07	00
20 Thomas Williams	02	07	00
21 Joseph Ford	00	06	10
22 Samuel Walles	01	06	06
23 William Bently	02	07	00
24 Peter Edgerton	01	15	00
25 John Bull	00	16	02
26 Richard Brooks	02	00	00
27 John Barrett	01	10	00
28 Joseph Fiske	01	10	00
29 Joseph Tucker	02	05	00
30 Israel Smith	00	12	00
31 Samuel Ireson	01	10	00

These soldiers were credited with Military Service under Captain Daniel Henchman and paid on August 20, 1675. The names may be of importance to the genealogical researcher.

Rev. Bodge continues, "This company, as we learn from the old historians, marched out to Dedham[1] to the Neponset river, together with Capt. Prentice's troop, and halted during the eclipse of the moon which occurred on that evening, lasting about an hour, then forward to 'Woodcock's (now Attleborough), where they arrived in the morning, and waited until P.M. of the 27th (June, 1675). Capt. Moseley's "Volunteers" then overtook them, and all three companies marched to Swanzy, arriving there on the P.M. of the 28th, and quartered near Mr. Miles's house. On the 29th, Maj. Thomas Savage arrived with his company and the Troop of Capt. Nicholas Paige. Capt. Henchman's men were engaged in the movements through Mount Hope,[2] and scouting about the country until July 4th, when they

[1]Dedham, Town, Norfolk Co. seat, on Charles River 9 mi. SW of Boston; one of the oldest towns in MA, settled 1635 (first free school in America supported by general tax, built 1649).

[2]section bordering the NE arm of Narragansett Bay.

marched back to headquarters at Swanzy. At a council of war, July 5th, in consequence of orders received from Boston by hand of Capt. Hutchinson, it was determined to march all the Massachusetts forces into the Narragansett country; accordingly the next ten days were spent in the march thither, and the treaty with the Sachems. During this time the Plymouth forces under Cudworth, Fuller and Church were pursuing Philip into Pocasset, and Church hasted over and "borrowed" three files of Henchman's men and his lieutenant, to assist in the enterprise. On July 15 all the Massachusetts forces marched to Rehoboth, on the 16th to Mattapoisett, on the 17th to Taunton, and on the 18th to Pocassett Swamp, where they immediately attacked the Indians, and five English were killed and seven wounded. Owing to the darkness our forces withdrew. It was decided to withdraw all the Massachusetts forces except Capt. Henchman's company, which remained with the Plymouth forces at Pocasset. Maj. Savage, Capts. Paige and Mosely marched back to Boston, and Capt. Prentice with his troop scouted towards Mendon. It was determined to build a fort at Pocasset and "starve Philip out." But near the end of July Philip escaped by water, either wading at low tide or 'wafting' on rafts, and passed into the Nipmuck country, abandoning about one hundred of their women and children in the swamp. Capt. Henchman appears not to have known of Philip's escape until news was brought him from the mainland on July 29th, 30th, . . . Fort Leverett was at Pocasset,[1] built by Capt. H.'s company and named for the governor."

Letter of Capt. Daniel Henchman to the Governor,[2] which is preserved in the Massachusetts Archives, Vol. 67.

> Hon'd Sr. Fort Leverett, July 31, 1675
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> Since my last (of the 28th) the Generall the 29th day landed here one hundred men, his designe to releeve Dartmouth being as reported in some distress; Past nine of the clock last night Lt Thomas brought me the two first enclosed letters from Rehoboth and Mr James Brown with him to press my going thither, which with what strength I could was yeelded to (I having just finished the South East flanker of the fort so farr as to be a good defence for my men) drew my company together by a false alarm in the night, some being at a distance getting stockadoes; and provided for our March before day taking six files with me and the 17 Indians (all now left) and leaving five files behind to be going on with the work, and the Brigandine; About 11 of the clock a second post came to acquaint me with the third enclosed letter. Mr Brown and the Lt being gon to

[1] **Pocasset Swamp,** where Fort Leverett was built, lies in present town of **Tiverton. Tiverton** is in Newport County, SE Rhode Island, on the Sakonnet River 8 mi. NE of Newport; incorporated as a Massachusetts town 1692; annexed to Rhode Island 1746; prominent role in American Revolution.

[2] Not detailed here are two other letters sent by Capt. D.H. to the Governor from Chelmsford, 9.27.1675, and Medfield, 11.2.1675. Chelmsford is a town in Middlesex Co., NE MA. **Medfield** is a town in Norfolk Co., E MA, 17 mi. SW of Boston; burned in King Philip's War 1675.

endeavour the giving of notice to the Gen'll to Warwick and the Narragansett Indians to head Philip, At break I shipped my men in a sloope for Seaconk and while under sail Mr Almie brought word that one Dan. Stanton of the Island at his returne yesterday from Dartmouth affirmes that severall parties of Indians with their armes to the number of about 80 surrendered themselves to that garrison for mercie, who have secured them in an Island by them. After my Company was landed within two miles of Seaconk before all were on shore an other letter came to me from Lt Thomas Advising to land at Providence being nearer to the enemy, I strait remanded my men on bord, gave each one 3 biscakes, a fish and a few raisons with ammunission which may last two or three days, I make bould to encloss to coppies of the letters sent least anything in my whurry might be omitted; The Lord preserve and spirite you still for this his worke; My humble service to all those worthies with you; I would gladly know of y'r Hon'rs welfare; and begg the prayers of all to God to qualifie me for my present imploy; being the unfittest of many yet pardon my confused lines being begun at my Quarters and patched vp in several places

Hon'rd S'r
Y'r Hon'rs Humble Servant D. Henchman.

The letter was evidently written on the passage to Seakonk and Providence, according to Rev. Bodge, who continues,

He landed at Providence next morning and marched twenty miles in pursuit of the Indians before he came up with the Plymouth forces and the Monhegans, who had been sent to him from Boston, but had been met by the Rehoboth men and persuaded to join them in the pursuit of Philip; these had come up with Philip's rear, and had a sharp fight before Capt. H. arrived. The Monhegans were now passed to his command, and the troops being wearied with the long march bivouacked till morning, and the Plymouth forces returned to Rehoboth, leaving to Capt. Henchman the further pursuit of Philip, which was renewed next morning. With his six files (consisting of 68 men), the 50 Monhegans and the 17 Naticks, Capt. H. marched into the Nipmuck country as far as the "second fort," to a place called **Wapososhequish,** August 3, but without finding Philip, and having continued the pursuit until provisions were exhausted and all were tired out to no purpose, the Monhegans returned to their home, and Capt. H. marched his force to Mendon, meeting Capt. Mosely with 60 dragoons on the way with supplies. Aug. 8, Capt. Henchman went down to Boston to get orders from the Governor and Council, and left most if not all his men at Mendon (Aug. 16th a part of them were in charge of Capt. Mosely, 12 of whom were detailed to Chelmsford garrison by him). Capt. Henchman received his instructions for future proceedings in a letter from Gen. Daniel Denison, commander-in-chief of Massachusetts Forces, given August 9th, 1675. This letter commanded him in brief to return to his men left at Pocasset, to fetch them and the "provisions and am-

munision" off. He was to advertise (notify) the Plymouth commander of this design, and if said commander wished him to remain there, to await further orders from the Council; otherwise to turn over the fort to the care of the Plymouth forces, and march his men to Boston and disband them until again called out by the Council. In his march to Pocasset he was given authority to press horses and guides, or require them of the various constables of the towns passed, and on his return likewise. On his return he was to draw off the Massachusetts "souldjers" at Woodcock's garrison, and also at Mr. Hudson's house, unless he should deem it unsafe, Hudson 'being of our colony whom we are to take care of.' Plymouth colony preferred to take charge of the fort, and Capt Henchman brought his soldiers home to Boston as commanded."

Positive identity of William Bently the foot soldier who served in Capt. Daniel Henchman's Company from June 24, 1675, until August 20, 1675, the first eight weeks of King Philip's War, **as the same William Bently** who settled in Kings Towne (later becoming North Kingstown, Rhode Island Colony) in the Narragansett country documented there as a "surveyor" in 1678 and as an inhabitant whose name appears first on the list of petitioners to King Charles II in 1679, **has not conclusively been made.**

King Philip's Demise

Benjamin Church,[1] Richard's son, b 1641, d 1718, a carpenter living at Little Compton (RI), 1675, wrote in the preface to his work entitled **History of the Indian Wars,** published in 1716, Boston: "In the year 1675, that unhappy and bloody Indian war broke out in Plymouth Colony, where I was then building and beginning a plantation at a place called by the Indians, Sekonit, and since by the English, Little Compton. I was the first Englishman that built upon that Neck, which was full of Indians. My head and hands were full about a new plantation, where nothing was brought to: no preparation of dwelling house, or outhousing or fencing made. Horses and cattle were to be provided, ground to be cleared and broken up, and the uttermost caution to be used to keep myself from offending my Indian neighbours all around me. While I was thus busily employed, and all my time and strength laid out in this laborious undertaking, I received a commission from the government to engage in their defence. And with my commission I received another heart inclining me to put forth my strength in military service. And through the grace of God, I was spirited for that work and direction in it was renewed to me day by day."

On December 19, 1675, Captain Benjamin Church was wounded in the Narragansett Swamp Fight, at which time over a thousand Indians and more than two hundred Englishmen were killed and wounded. There were thirty-five hundred Indians and fifteen hundred colonists engaged in this conflict.

[1] Austin, J. O., **The Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island,** pp. 41 and 42.

Be:

Captain Peleg Sanford,[1] son of John, b May 10, 1639, d 1701, with Captain Goulding informed Captain Church on August 11, 1676, of **King Philip's** hiding place and the next day that warrior was killed.

On **August 12, 1676, Captain Benjamin Church**[2] organized the party and planned the attack on **King Philip,** which resulted in the chieftain's death at this date in the swamp near Mount Hope.

On September 1, 1681, he and other proprietors of the **Mount Hope** purchase, met and agreed that the name of the town should be **Bristol.**

[1] **Ibid.**, p. 172.

[2] **Ibid.**, p. 42.

GENEALOGICAL CLASSIFICATION OF WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y'S OFFSPRING

LINE I	Be:Fa.	Jane Bentl(e)y
LINE II	Be:FB.	William Bentl(e)y
LINE III	Be:FC.	James Bentl(e)y
LINE IV	Be:FD.	THOMAS BENTL(E)Y
LINE V	Be:FE.	Benjamin Bentl(e)y

The five offspring named above were also named in WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y'S **Will** (Be200.). SARAH (----) was named as his wife in both his **Will** and on the single-page manuscript which appears to be a copy of a transcription record from one or more **Bibles**[1] (Be111.).

WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y was the father of these five CH:

a. Jane Bentl(e)y, for whom no birth date and no death date are known, apparently the mother of her father's first grandchild.

B. William Bentl(e)y, Son of William, Born 7.8.1677.

C. James Bentl(e)y, Son of William, Born 5.26.1679.

D. THOMAS BENTL(E)Y, Son of William, Born 6.19.1685.

E. Benjamin Bentl(e)y, Son of William, Born 3.27.1690.

Line I. Jane, Be:Fa.

Fa. Jane Bentl(e)y, WILLIAM'S dtr as "Jane Whittman" (Be201.), b ca 1675 (the opinion or speculation of this searcher), d **before** 6.1729, the date of widower's next m to "Virtue (-----) Records who was widow of John Records" (Be35.). Jane was m "Jan. 6, 1700" (Be211.), Kings Towne, RI Colony, to John Wightman (Be212.--his **Will**; Be98.) or "Whittman" (Be201.) or "Weightman" (Be211., Be213.) or "Whitman" (Be215., Be97.), b 4.16.1674, b 4.16.---- (Be215.), Kings Town, son of George Wightman and wife Elizabeth Updike (Be113., Be207.). John Wightman d **before** May 8, 1750, Exeter, RI Colony, survived by his wife Vertue, wife at the time of his death (Be212.), and survived by children of his first wife Jane Bentl(e)y, deceased (Be212.) (Jane's name does **not** appear in John's **Will**).

Jane, who m John Wightman, was undoubtedly the daughter of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y, a resident at Narragansett July 29, 1679, whose name appears as the first one on the petition to the King (Be98.). **The remains of Jane and John were buried on a farm in Exeter** (on the "Great Plain"), the farm since owned by descendants of **Ezekial and Zebulon Gardiner**, and later owned by **John T. Gardiner, located about a mile northwest of Slocumville** (Be98.).

[1]Unexplained in source Be111. is the line "Mary Austen Born in ye year 1670" just preceding the lines for William's four sons. In the same source, the name of "Jane" or of any "daughter" of William is **not** to be found.

"John Wightman's father George purchased **this land** of Samuel Wilbur or heirs, it being a part of lot no. 5, of a Pettaquamscutt Division, which extended from the headline of the purchase, or Queens river, on the west, to the 'Wolf Hills' on the east." John's father George was quoted as having been the son of "Valentine Wightman" (?), an early settler of Providence, RI (Be97.).

According to the information found on pp. 226 and 227 of Austin's **Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island,** George Wightman, b June 1632, d January 1722, m Elizabeth Updike, b 1644, dtr of Gilbert and Katherine (Smith) Updike. Their sixth-born child was John Wightman who on January 6, 1700, m Jane Bentley, daughter of William Bentley. According to G. Andrews Moriarty in the article entitled "Additions and Corrections to Austin's Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island," published in the Oct., 1943, issue of **The American Genealogist**, Vol. 20, page 119, and reprinted in the 1978 edition of Austin's **Genealogical Dictionary** . . . by the Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., Baltimore, "Additions and Corrections . . .," page 459:

"WIGHTMAN, George (p. 226, 1st col.) was **probably** the son of George Wightman, whose brother, Ralph Wightman, citizen and merchant tailor of St. Mary-le-Bow parish, London, married Katherine, sister of Roger Williams, and whose **will** was dated 27 Dec. 1628 and proved 9 Feb. 1628/9 (**N. E. Hist. and Gen. Reg.,** Vol. 43, p. 293)."

From the foregoing may we conclude (?) that Roger Williams' sister **probably** m a brother of the man whose daughter-in-law was Jane Bentley, daughter of William Bentley?

A **Trace** from Progenitor WILLIAM BENTLEY *via* Jane Bentley to His Ninth-generation Descendant Marshall Kim Gardner

Be:F.	WILLIAM BENTLEY (Be201.)[1]
Fa.	Jane (Be213.)[3] (Bentley) (Be211.)[2] "Whittman" (Be201.)[1] m John Wightman (Be211.)[2] (Be213.)[3] (Be212.)[4]
Fae.	Jane (Be238.)[5] Wightman (Be213.)[3] (Be212)[4] m Benjamin Spink (Be212.)[4] (Be238.)[5]

[1]**Will** of WILLIAM BENTLEY, Kingstown Probate Rec. 6:11-15; his dtr named "Jane Whittman," 7.11.1720 (sealed) (Be201.).

[2]Arnold, J.N., **Vital Record of Rhode Island,** 1636-1850, Vol. 5, "North Kingstown—Marriages," p. 9; Jane Bentley and John Weightman m 1.6.1700 (Be211.).

[3]**Ibid.,** NK—"Births," p. 108: Jean Weightman b M-- 20, ----, dtr of John and Jane (Be213.). Note: the b of brother James immediately preceded hers.

[4]**Will** of John Wightman, written 12.3.1746, proved 5.8.1750; Exeter Council and Probate Book 1:75-7 (Be212.), Exeter, RI.

[5]**Op. cit.,** Arnold, Vol. 1, "West Greenwich—Births," 94, 95 (1:53): Alice Spink, b 9.13.1746, dtr of Benjamin and Jane (Be238.).

Faeh.	Alice (Be242.)[6] (Be---.)[7] Spink (Be238.)[5] m James Gardner (Be239., Be242.)[6] (Be---.)[7]
FaehF.	William (Be---.)[7] Gardner (Be---.)[8] m Nancy (Be---.)[8] Graves
FaehFD.	Elias (Be---.)[8] Gardner (Be---.)[9] m Ann Elizabeth (Be---.)[9] English
FaehFDH'.	Thomas Francis (Be---.)[9] Gardner (Be---.)[10] m Eliza (Be---.)[10] Curtis
FaehFDH'F.	Thomas Harvey (Be---.)[10] Gardner (Be---.)[11] m Verda Marie (Be---.)[11] Stuart
FaehFDH'FD.	Marshall Kim (Be250.)[11] Gardner,[12] b 12.10.1945, Safford, Graham Co., AZ; res (1978): 1901 First Street, Yuma, AZ 85364.

In 1949, Emilie Sarter commented as follows on **Jane Bentley (Be:Fa.),** the daughter of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y of Kingstown, Colony of RI (the *verbatim* quotation from Be35.):

> iv Jane (**2**) Bentley, born perhaps 1685 or 1686; died in Exeter before June 29, 1729, the date her husband married his second wife.
>
> Jane (**2**) Bentley married either on January 6, 1700 or June 6, 1706, John (**2**) Wightman, born in the King's Province, in the Narragansett country, April 16, 1674, six and a half months before the town of Kingstown was established. He was the son of George (**1**) and Elizabeth (Updike) Wightman. There were eight children.
>
> The paternal grandmother of Jane (**2**) (Bentley) Wightman's children was Elizabeth (**3**) (Updike) Wightman, a granddaughter of Richard (**1**) Smith, the first white settler in the Narragansett country.
>
> In June, 1729, John (**2**) Wightman, married Virtue (....?..) Records.
>
> It is possible that John (**2**) Wightman married three times, and that Jane (**2**) Bentley was his second wife.

[6]Marriage rec., Tyringham, MA (?) (Be242.) No rec. of m found in WG, RI (Be239.).

[7](?)

[8](?)

[9](?)

[10]**Birth Certificate,** BCRN:

[11]**Birth Certificate** BCRN:

[12]Volume I of his **Gardner Family History** was pub. in 1983.

According to **The Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island** (J.O. Austin) (Be206.) and **The op Dyck Genealogy** (C.W. Opdyke) (Be207.), John Wightman's mother and George Wightman's wife, **Elizabeth Updyke,** chr. 1.17.1644, New Amsterdam (Montgomery Co., NY), d 1712/16, Kings Town (RI), dtr of John's maternal grandfather **Gysbert op den Dyck,** chr. 9.25.1605, Wesel, Rhineland, Prussia, m 9.24.1643, to (and) John's maternal grandmother **Catherine Smith,** b ca 1622, Gloucester, England, the daughter of John's maternal grandmother's father **Richard Smith,** b 1596, Gloucester, England, d 1666, Wickford (RI).

The name of Richard Smith, Sr. is found on a document dated in 1659 found on page 87 of Volume I of the **Rhode Island Land Evidences** in the State Archives. The abstract follows:[1]

Warwick the 25 of July 1659

. . . Quisaquance Cheife Sachim of the Nankygansett, have sold . . . two-Islands of Quononoqutt and Aquednessett . . . unto mr William Brenton mr William Coddington mr Benedict Arnold **mr Richard Smith senr** and Caleb Carr . . . for . . . sixty pounds . . .

Wit. — The marke of X Quisaquance
Thomas Greene
the marke of X William Eaton
the marke of X Awashouse
the marke of X Saukequaskne.

In the Rhode Island, Exeter Council and Probate Book 1:75:7, is a **Will,** written Dec. 3, 1746, proved May 8, 1750, of John Wightman, whose former wife Jane Bentley, deceased, was mother of all of his children named therein. Jane's name does **not** appear in **Will** (Be212.).

In the name of God Amen this Third Day of December in the Year of our Lord one Thousand Seven Hundred and forty Six I John Wightman of Exeter in ye County of Kings County In the Colony of Rhode Island etc. Yeoman Being Very Sick and Weak in Body but of a perfect mind and memory Thanks be given unto God Therefore, Calling Unto mind the mortality of my body I knowing that it is appointed for all men one to Dye, Do Make and ordain this my Last

[1] **Rhode Island Land Evidences, Volume I, 1648—1696, Abstracts (All Published),** orig. pub. RIHS, Providence, 1921, reprinted by the Genealogical Publishing Company, Baltimore, 1970. In the Preface to the Reprint Edition, Albert T. Klyberg, Librarian, The Rhode Island Historical Society, notes:

> There are now in the office of the Secretary of State, four ancient volumes called Rhode Island Land Evidence. They contain a great variety of deeds, a very few of Providence, many from Newport and many from the various parts of South County—some, such as **Roger Williams' deed to Richard Smith,** from territory where there was no town government at all.
>
> The work of abstracting the records in the first volume of Land Evidence was done by Miss Dorothy Worthington whose manuscript was submitted to the Rhode Island Historical Society for publication, the cost of which was paid out of a special fund contributed by 24 persons.

Will and Testament that is to Say Principally and first of all, I Give and Recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it, and for my body, I Recommend to the Earth to be Buryed In a Christian Like and Decent manner at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter named. Nothing Doubting About the Generall Reasurrection I Shall Receive the Same again by the mighty power of God; and as Touching Such worldly Estates where with it has Pleased God to Bless me in this Life, I Give Devise and Dispose of the Same in the following manner and form ---

Imprimis I Give and Bequeath unto **Vertue** my True and Loving Wife all House goods and Utentialls **That She Brought to me in marrage** and likewise I Give and Bequeath to my Said Loving Wife **Vertue** the Sum of Thirty pounds in bills of publick Creditts to be Raised out of my Estate after She . . . (line or lines cut off at bottom of page 75, xeroxing problem?) . . . of her Thirds and I Do likewise Give unto my Loveing Wife my Great **Bible** and if my Said Loveing Wife Should not accept of what I have Given unto her in leu of her thirds then my Will is that She Should have five Shillings and no more.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto each of my loving Children John, James, and Vallentine my three Sons and Sarah Whitford the wife of Joseph Whitford and Jane Spink the Wife of Benjamin Spink and Mary Boone ye wife of (----) Boone Jun'r and Deborah Records the wife of Jno. Records to Each of my Said Children one Silver Spoone, and to my Son Valentine I Give one Silver Spoone that was his Grandfathers, besides that Spoon allredy Given, and I Do . . . Wife Give and Bequeath all the Remainder of my Silver to be Equally Devided amongst my Seven Children above named all excepting the Silver Buttons that are Upon my Cloaths

Item I Give and Bequeath all the Remainder of my household goods to be Equally Devided among my foure Daughters above named —

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Grand Daughter **Lidia Willcox** the wife of Abraham Willcox the Sum of five pounds in bills of Creditt

Item I Give and Bequeath Unto my Son James Whitman one Iron Chain

Item I Give and Bequeath all the Remaining part of my Estate not already Disposed of Unto my Son Valentine and I Do by these presents Con . . . Two Beloved . . . (bottom line or lines lost on page 76) . . . (top line or lines lost on page 77) (all three pages have been heavily water stained but parts are remarkably legible considering). . . Disanull all and any other and former Wills, Legacys, and Executed by me at any time before named, Willed. . . Bequeathed Ratifying this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness. . .

Signed Sealed published pronounced and
Declared by said John Weightman as

his Last Will and Testament
In the presence of the . . .

John Wightman (Seal)

Nich's Gardner
Tho's Phillips
Patience Phillips

Nicholas Gardner and Thomas Phillips. . . Personally appeared Before the Town Councill of Exeter the Eighth Day of May AD 1750 and on their Solemn Engagements Declared that they saw John Wightman Deceased --- Signe Seal Publish pronounce and Declare the Instrument to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Signing and Sealing thereof he was of a Sound Disposing mind and memory, and that they two and In his presence Signed there Unto as Witnessed and also Saw Patience Phillips who is now Deceased Signe there unto as a Witness at the Same time Signed by order of the Town Councell of Exeter the 8th Day of May 1750.

David Sprague, C. Clark. . .

Jane (Be213, 217) Bentley and John Wightman (Be212, 213, 214, 215, 217) had these eight CH: (1) Alice, (2) Sarah, (3) John, (4) James, (5) Jane, (6) Mary, (7) Valentine, and (8) Deborah Wightman; **8 CH: their identifcation and that of the selcted DESC for (1) Alice and (5) Jane Wightman.**

Faa. Alice (Be213) Wightman, b "Oct. 26 (1702)" (Be213), (North) Kingstown, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations; **see below.**

Fab. Sarah (Be213) Wightman, b "Jan. 23 (1704)" (Be213), m 1723, Joseph Whitford; m "----Whitford, -------, 1722/3," (North) Kingstown, by "Elisha Cole, Assistant" (Be218); John's dtr "Sarah Whitford the wife of Joseph Whitford" (Be212).

FaC. John (Be213) Wightman, b "March 11, ----," (North) Kingstown b 3.11.1707, d 2.7.1787, m 2.12.1729/30, Ann Sweet (source of info.?); "---- Weightman and Ann Sweet; m by William Hall, Assistant, Feb. 12, 1729" (Be219); John's son "John" (Be212) (note: a "John Wightman" and "---- ----, of Newport; m by Job Lawton, Justice, June 4, 1729) (Be219) (identity? ——probably his father John and stepmother "Vertue"?) ("Vertue," his father's wife in 1746, Be212). According to Emilie Sarter, John Wightman in June 1729, m Virtue (------) Records, widow of John Records (no further info. as to origin).

FaD. James (Be213) Wightman, b "Feb 17, ----," (North) Kingstown, (Be213), b 2.17.1709; "James Weightman, of John, and Bridget Sweet, of Samuel; m by Robert Hall, Justice, Sept. 5, 1734" (Be219); John Wightman's son "James" (Be212).

Fae. Jane Wightman; John Wightman's dtr "Jane Spink wife of Benjamin Spink" (Be212); see further on for DESC.

Faf. Mary ("----") (Be213) Wightman, b "--- 31, ----," b 1714, m 12.6.1736, Samuel A. Boone ("A."?) (source of info.?); "Mer---- ----, and Samuel Boone, Jr., (m) Dec. 6, 1736" (no mention of the name Weightman because of damage to the record) (Be220); John Wightman's dtr "Mary Boone ye wife of (Sam'll) (not easily discernible due to damaged record) Boone Jun'r (Be212).

FaG. Valentine ("---------") (Be213) Wightman, b "----," b 1717, d 12.1786, m (?) (source of info.?); John Wightman's son "Val(l)entine" (Be212); **received** his grandfather's silver spoon, as stated by his father in his Will (Be212).

Fah. Deborah "Wightman" (Be221) b (when?) 1719 (?); "John Reynolds and Deborah Wightman; m by Benjamin Weight, Justice of Peace, --- 22, 1739" (Be221); "Deborah Wightman" (Be219); John Wightman's dtr "Deborah Records the wife of Jno. Records" (Be212). Was her husband John Records? --or was it John Reynolds? --or both? Did Deborah have children?

Alice (Be213) Wightman (Be:Faa.), daughter of Jane Bentley and John Wightman, b "Oct. 26 (1702)" (Be213), "Whitman, -----, dau. of above John, (b) April 16, ----" (Be215) Kings Town (later, North Kingstown) (Be213, 215). "Alice Weightman, of John and Jane, and Job Harrington, m by William Spencer, June 8, 1722" (Be217). Alice Wightman and Job Harrington had a child named "Lydia," who was named in the **Will** of John Wightman, Lydia's grandfather. Although the name of Lydia's mother was **not** given in the Will, the full name of Lydia's husband was given. Perhaps her mother was deceased. The name of Lydia's husband as stated in the Will was Abraham Wilcox (Be212). Very likely Lydia was the first-born great-grandchild of Progenitor WILLIAM BENTLEY.

Faaa. Lydia (Be212, 223) Harrington (Be222), "wife of Abraham Willcox" (Be212), granddaughter of John Wightman (Be212), m 6.5.1739, Exeter, RI Colony, Abraham Wilcox (Be222, 223); "my grand Daughter Lidia Willcox the wife of Abraham Willcox. . ." (Be212); Lydia and Abraham had these 2 CH: (1) John Wilcox and (2) Job Wilcox; their selected DESC:

FaaaA. John Wilcox (Be223, 224, 225), b 7.9.1741, Exeter, RI Colony (Be223), Abraham's son (Be224), m 1.31.1762, Exeter (Be224), Mary (Be225) Barber, Daniel's dtr (Be224); their 5 identified CH:

FaaaAA. Thurston Wilcox (Be225), "son of John and Mary" (Be225), b 6.4.1762, Exeter (Be225).

FaaaAb. Lydia Wilcox, b 3.11.1764, Exeter (Be225).

FaaaAC. Daniel Wilcox, b 5.1.1767, Exeter (Be225).

FaaaAd. Mary Wilcox, b 6.4.1771, Exeter (Be225).

FaaaAe. Deliverance Wilcox, b 3.17.1774, Exeter (Be225).

FaaaB. Job Wilcox (Be223, 224, 226), b 2.4.1743, Exeter, RI Colony (Be223), Abraham's son (Be224), m 1.31.1762, Exeter (Be224), Mary Barber, Daniel's dtr (Be224); Job and Mary had these 12 CH with Esther's 4 CH added:

FaaaBA. Asa Wilcox (Be225, 226), "Son of Job and Mary" (Be225), b 4.7.1772, Exeter (Be225), m 10.16.1791, Exeter (Be226), Eleanor Lawton, Josiah's dtr, by Stephen Reynolds, Justice (Be226).

FaaaBB. Nathan Wilcox, b 8.16.1774, Exeter (Be225).

FaaaBc. Esther Wilcox (Be225, 227, 228), b 8.20.1776, Exeter (Be225), dtr "of Capt. Job," of Exeter, m 1.17.1793, Exeter, to Leonard Ensworth, son "of Joseph," of Canterbury, CT, by Elder Elisha Greene (Be227); their CH (Be228):

FaaaBca. Betty Ensworth, dtr "of Leonard and Esther," b 10.4.1795, Exeter, Washington Co., RI (Be228):

FaaaBcb. Esther Ensworth, b 2.25.1798, Exeter (Be228).

FaaaBcC. Joseph Ensworth, b 6.24.1803, Exeter (Be228).

FaaaBcD. Job Wilcox Ensworth, b 8.29.1805, Exeter (Be228).

FaaaBD. Simon Wilcox, b 9.3.1778, Exeter (Be225).

FaaaBe. Eunice Wilcox, b 8.17.1780, Exeter (Be225).

FaaaBF. Job Wilcox, b 3.12.1782, Exeter (Be225).

FaaaBG. Harrington Wilcox (Be225, 226), b 9.11.1783, Exeter (Be225), "Son of Capt. Job" (Be226), of Exeter (Be226), m 8.1.1802, Exeter (Be226), Charity Rathbun, of Parish, formerly of Exeter, RI, by Elder Henry Joslin (Be226).

FaaaBh. Mary Wilcox, b 8.22.1785, Exeter (Be225).

FaaaBi. Prudence Wilcox, b 4.2.1787, Exeter (Be225).

FaaaBJ. Gates Wilcox, b 9.21.1790, Exeter (Be225).

FaaaBk. Hannah Wilcox, b 10.7.1794, Exeter (Be225).

FaaaBL. Thurston Wilcox, b 11.2.1796, Exeter, RI (Be225).

NOTE: This searcher has not **yet** located any **living** descendant of Alice Wightman (Be:Faa.). Another ambition of this searcher is to document a trace of pure matrilineal descent from Jane Bentl(e)y Wightman (Be:Fa.), daughter of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y, to living female descendant(s) today.

Fab. Sarah Wightman (see above).
FaC. John Wightman (see above).
FaD. James Wightman (see above).

The trace resumes here for the selected descendants of Jane Wightman (Be:Fae.), Jane Bentley's fifth offspring.

Jane Wightman (Be:Fae.), dtr of Jane Bentley and John Wightman; "Jean" (Be213), b "M-- 20, ----," Kingstown (Be213); John Wightman's dtr "Jane Spink the Wife of Benjamin Spink" (Be212); "Benjamin Spink of East Greenwich, and Jean --------; m by George Thomas, Justice, April 7, ----" North Kingstown (Be229); Benjamin Spink (Be214), b 2.14.1712 (Be214), East Greenwich (Be214) (RI), son of Ishmael Spink (Be214, 216) and Deliverance (Be214) Hall (Be216), of Kings Town(?); Jane (Be238) Wightman and Benjamin Spink (Be230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238) had these 10 CH:

Faea. Deliverance (Be230, 238) Hall (?) Spink (Be230, 238), b 4.9.1735, West Greenwich, RI Colony. . . m 3.30.1758, West Greenwich, John King.

FaeB. Robe (?) Spink (Be238), b 4.16.1736, West Greenwich, RI.

FaeC. Ishmael Spink (Be238), "Jr." (Be231), b 3.17.1737, West Greenwich, RI, m 1758, West Greenwich, Judah Matteson.

FaeD. Robert Spink (Be232, 238), b 11.10.1738, West Greenwich, m 5.25.1766, West Greenwich, Ruth Matteson, dtr of John, deceased.

Faee. Dinah Spink (Be233, 238), b 6.19.1740, West Greenwich.

Faef. Waite Spink (Be234, 238), b 5.29.1742, West Greenwich, m 3.29.1772, West Greenwich, John Hall.

FaeG. Samuel Spink (Be235, 238), b 7.29.1744, West Greenwich, m 4.16.1771, West Greenwich, Mary Straight.

Faeh. Alice Spink (?-- and Be238), b 9.13.1746, West Greenwich, m (when? where? to whom? doc. evid.?) 1773 (?), James Gardner (?) (apparently not m in West Greenwich). (Be239) (see below).

FaeI. William Spink (Be236, 238), b 7.5.1748, West Greenwich, m 12.23.1773, West Greenwich, Alice Stafford, of Coventry, dtr of Thomas.

FaeJ. John Spink (Be237), b 1750 (?) (where?), son of Capt. Benjamin Spink, of West Greenwich.

Alice Spink (Be:Faeh.), b 9.13.1746, West Greenwich, m 1773 (?), 1780 (?), probably MA,

James Gardiner,

b 10.26.1750 (?) (place?)

son of Dorcas Gardiner and Nicholas Gardiner, son of Nicholas, son of Nicholas, son of George. (Be240).

An abstract from Volume I of the Rhode Island Land Evidences in the State Archives bearing the names of "Gardiner" and "Updicke" (1671) may be of interest to the reader (Be 241):

John Porter to **Nicholas Gardiner.**

. . . **John Porter** December 27 -- 1671 -- have . . . made over . . . my whole Intrest . . . of A sixt part of the Thowsand Acres . . . Layd out

to us the six Purchassers of the Narragansett Land. Viz -- **John Porter, Samuell Wilbore, John Hull, Thomas Mumford, Samuell Wilson, and William Brenton;** which . . . Land lyes neare the Land Layd out to **Henry Knowles,** which sixt part . . . I have made over . . . unto **Nicholas Gardiner** haveing received full Satisfaction . . .

Wit.

Lodowick Updicke — **John Porter**

Georg Gardiner — **Horad Porter**
his **X** marke. — her **X** marke"

On the document following the above, dated 11.7.1673, are found the names of **Georg and Tabiatha Gardiner, John and Dorcus Watson, Nicholas Gardiner, and Benony Gardiner.**

Alice Spink (Be:Faeh.) and James Gardiner had these 9 CH:

FaehA. James Gardiner, b ca 1775; res was Tyringham, Berkshire Co., MA.

FaehB. Henry Gardiner, b ca 1777; res was Tyringham, Berkshire Co., MA, m Abigail Stedman.

FaehC. Lodowick Gardiner, b ca 1779; res was Tyringham, MA.

FaehD. John Gardiner, b ca 1781; res was Tyringham, MA.

FaehE. Varnum Gardiner, b ca 1783; res was Tyringham, MA.

FaehF. William Gardiner, b ca 1785; res was Tyringham, MA (Be242); m Ann (Nancy) Graves.

FaehG. Benjamin Gardiner, b ca 1787; res was Tyringham, MA.

Faehh. Clarissa Gardiner, b ca 1789; res Tyringham, MA.

Faehi. Hannah Gardiner, b ca 1791; res was Tyringham, MA, m 12.1.1810, Russell Day.

William Gard(i)ner (Be:FaehF.), blacksmith, b 1775, d 18-- (1885?), m 1807, Nancy Ann Graves, b ca 1777, Tyringham, Berkshire Co., MA, d 1860, MA, dtr of Thaddeus Graves and Amy Belty; 5 CH:

FaehFA. William Gardner (Jr.), b 11.3.1801, Tyringham, Berkshire Co., MA.

FaehFB. Ira Gardner, b ca 1803, res was Vernon, Oneida Co., NY.

FaehFc. Harriet Gardner, b 12.31.1804, res was Vernon, Oneida Co., NY, m Frederick Augustus Munson.

FaehFD. Elias Gardner, b 4.2.1807, Vernon, Oneida Co., NY, married nine women, and had 44 children. Each of the 44 CH will appear classified in order of birth. However, the names' code-letters do not appear in alphabetical order. The children for the nine wives of Elias, although enciphered correctly, are given in order of their mother's marriages. Please see the "Bentley Roll" where the names have been enciphered alphabetically and appear in birth order.

FaehFE. George Gardner, b ca 1809, res was Vernon, Oneida Co., NY.

Elias Gardner (Be243) (Be:FaehFD.), b 4.2.1807, Vernon, Oneida Co., NY, d 2.15.1890, Annabella, Sevier Co., UT, bur Glenwood, Sevier Co., UT, m **first** (of nine) 1.1.1826, Harriet Snow Smith, b 8.2.1809, Lee, Berkshire Co., MA, d 3.2.1830, Lee, Berkshire Co., MA, dtr of James and Deborah (anon.) Smith; 2 CH:

FaehFDA. Walter Elias Gardner, b 7.4.1828, Lee, Berkshire Co., MA.

FaehFDb. Harriet Elizabeth Gardner, b 9.25.1829, Lee, MA, m Harvey Granger.

Elias Gardner (Be:FaehFD.), m **secondly** 2.13.1832, Amy Pritchard, b 8.14.1800, Nelson, Portage Co., OH, d 11.22/28.1846, Winters Quarters, Douglas Co., NE, dtr of Benjamin Pritchard and Anna Vaughn; 5 CH:

FaehFDc. Mary A. Gardner, b 4.9.1833, Lee, Berkshire Co., MA, d 10.12.1833.

FaehFDd. Mary Amelia Gardner, b 9.9.1834, Lee, MA, d 8.8.1905.

FaehFDe. Nancy Mariat Gardner, b 5.15.1837, Nelson, Portage Co., OH.

FaehFDF. Henry Erastus Stanley Gardner, b 7.5.1840, Nelson OH, d 4.22.1908.

FaehFDg. Permelia F. Gardner, b 6.8.1843, Nelson, OH, d 11.2.1843.

Elias Gardner (Be:FaehFD.) m **thirdly** Betsy Elizabeth Markham, b 10.18.1813/4, Chili, Monroe Co., NY, d 1.24.1906, dtr of James Markham and Lois Leach; 2 CH:

FaehFDH. William K. Gardner, b 11.18.1849, Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., UT, d 1.9.1850.

FaehFDj. Vilate (Violet?) Gardner, b **7.4.1851,** Payson, Utah Co., Ut.

Elias Gardner (Be:FaehFD.) m **fourthly** 11.9.1847, Manti, Sanpete Co., UT, Diantha Hanchett, b 10.17.1833, Erie, Erie Co., PA, d 11.19.1902, St. David, Cochise Co., AZ., dtr of Elam M.; 7 CH:

FaehFDi. Betsy Anne Gardner, b **1.5.1850,** Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., UT, m Sidney Coons.

FaehFDk. Sarah Diantha Gardner, b 9.9.1852, Payson, Utah Co., UT, d 1.17.1870, m 1.17.1870, Joseph Nahum Curtis.

FaehFDl. Susan Lucretia Gardner, b 9.25.1856, Payson, UT, Samuel Bent Curtis.

FaehFDQ. Joseph Gardner, b 12.27.1858, Payson, UT, d 1.18.1859.

FaehFDS. James Gardner, b 10.30.1860, Payson, UT, d 5.20.1867.

FaehFDv. Marilla Gardner, b 4.19.1863, Payson, UT, m 3.24.1881, Joseph Nahum Curtis.

FaehFDA'. Nathaniel Gardner, b 7.15.1868, Payson, UT, d 7.18.1934, m 12.30.1895, Rosetta Bird.

Elias Gardner (Be:FaehFD.) m **fifthly** Ruth (Markham) Abbott, previously m in 1834 to Joshua Abbott; Ruth was b 12.20.1810, Salina, Onondaga Co., NY, d 9.13.1888, dtr of James Markham; no CH.

Elias Gardner (Be:FaehFD.) m **sixthly** 2.9.1857, Ellen Elizabeth Abbott, b 4.13/14.1837, Ogden, Genessee Co., NY, d 7.17.1916, dtr of Joshua Abbott and Ruth Markham; 12 CH:

FaehFDN. Charles Gardner (twin), b 12.14.1858, Payson, Utah Co., UT.

FaehFDO. Elias Gardner (twin), b 12.14.1858, Payson, UT.

FaehFDR. John Gardner, b 2.11.1860, Payson, UT, d 2.1.1945, m Bertha Gleave.

FaehFDu. Ellen Elizabeth Gardner, b 10.2.1862, Payson, UT, d 5.9.1934, m Samuel Curtis.

FaehFDx. Ruth Etta Gardner, b 12.24.1865, Salem, Sevier Co., UT, d 3.21.1896, m James Turnie Staples.

FaehFDZ. Joshua Abbott Gardner, b 9.12.1867, Payson, UT, d 3.19.1935.

FaehFDD'. George Gardner, b 4.17.1870, Salem, Sevier Co., UT, d 7.1948.

FaehFDg'. Mary Rosetta Gardner, b 3.4.1873, Salem, Sevier Co., UT, d 7.28.1951, m 4.4.1900, Thomas Edgar Lloyd.

FaehFDJ'. Orawell Gardner, b 3.18.1875, Salem, Sevier Co., UT.

FaehFDM'. Ira Gardner (twin), b 5.16.1877, Central, Sevier Co., UT, d 2.23.1930.

FaehFDn'. Iris Gardner (twin), b 5.16.1877, Central, Sevier Co., UT, d 2.6.1901.

FaehFDq'. Martha Jane Gardner, b 9.12.1880, Annabella, Sevier Co., UT, m 7.3.1908, James Leonard Kearns.

Elias Gardner (Be:FaehFD.) m seventhly 12.4.1855, Ann(e) Elizabeth English, b 9.23.1837, South Shields, England, d 2.22.1922, Glenwood, Sevier Co., UT, dtr of John English and Martha Todd; 12 CH:

FaehFDm. Martha Ann Gardner, b 9.28.1856, Payson, UT, d 8.20.1922, m **first** Samuel A. Meecham, m **secondly** Samuel Gleaves.

FaehFDP. Benjamin Gardner, b 1.2.1859, Payson, Utah Co., UT, d 10.9.1956, AE 97 y 9 m 7 d; m Barbara Ann Bingham.

FaehFDt. Lorena Jane Gardner, b 4.23.1861, Payson, UT, d 7.11.1945, m Isaac E. Herring.

FaehFDw. Emmeline Gardner, b 10.14.1863, Payson, UT, d 2.28.1868.

FaehFDY. John William Gardner, b 3.18.1866, Richfield, Sevier Co., UT, d 8.6.1948.

FaehFDc'. Eliza Roxanna Gardner, b 10.31.1868, Salem, Utah Co., UT, d 2.8.1926, m Ransom Wiley Herring.

FaehFDe'. Ena May Gardner, b 5.4.1871, Salem, UT, d 5.24.1946, m 1.22.1896, Killick Elton Roberts.

FaehFDH'. Thomas Francis Gardner, b 9.1.1873, Salem, UT, d 4.13.1962, m 4.12.1901, Eliza Curtis.

FaehFDK'. Lewis Edward Gardner, b 3.11.1876, Central, Washington Co., UT, d 1.21.1952, **unmarried.**

FaehFDo'. Annie Gardner, b 9.7.1878, Central, UT, d 10.7.1963, m **first** Fred Barnett and m **secondly** 1909, Luther Strope.

FaehFDp'. Elizabeth Gardner, d 5.1.1880, Annabella, Sevier Co., UT, d 3.1.1881.

FaehFDr'. Varona Gardner, b 3.28.1881, Annabella, Sevier Co., UT, m Gabriel Marion Utley.

Elias Gardner (Be:FaehFD.) m **eighthly** Martha Todd, b 9.1.1802, Dimfield, Durham, England, dtr of Luke Todd and Maria Riddley; Martha was previously m to John English; Elias and Martha had no CH.

Elias Gardner (Be:FaehFD.) m **ninthly and lastly** Emily Ann Abbott, b 12.24.1848, Salt Lake City, UT, d 1880, Annabella, Sevier Co., UT, dtr of Joshua Abbott and Ruth Markham; 4 CH:

FaehFDb'. Lois Ann Gardner, b 7.17.1868, Payson, Utah Co., UT, m 10.18.1885, Isaac Daniel Winder.

FaehFDf'. Emily Gardner, b 5.18.1871, Salem, Sevier Co., UT, m **first** James William Hallows and m **secondly** 6.11.1913, Jacob Stringham.

FaehFDI'. Franklin Gardner, b 12.25.1874, Salem, Sevier co., UT.

FaehFDl'. Harriet Gardner, b 4.1876, Annabella, Sevier Co., UT, d 1881.

Thomas Francis Gardner (Be:FaehFDH'.), b 9.1.1873, Salem, Utah Co., UT, d 4.13.1962, Phoenix, Maricopa Co., AZ, bur Thatcher, Graham Co., AZ; m 4.12.1901, Tombstone, Cochise Co., AZ, to Eliza Curtis, b 6.22.1878, Salem, Utah Co., UT, d 12.23.1962, Safford, Graham Co., AZ, bur Thatcher, Graham Co., AZ, dtr of Samuel "B." Curtis and Lucinda Stuart; 7 CH:

FaehFDH'A. Duane Curtis Gardner, b 7.9.1902, San Pedro, Cochise Co., AZ.

FaehFDH'B. Samual Neal Gardner, b 3.20/23.1905, San Pedro, Cochise Co., AZ, d 6.7.1966, m 8.21.1945, Editha Matheson.

FaehFDH'C. Leroy Gardner, b 5.1.1907, San Jose, Graham Co., AZ.

FaehFDH'd. Mildred Gardner, b 4.4.1909, Thatcher, Cochise Co., AZ, m 2.19.1927, to Surcie Campbell Clonts.

FaehFDH'e. Ruby Mae Gardner, b 8.4.1913, Thatcher, Graham Co., AZ, m 9.2.1930, Milford William Kempton; res (1978): Solomon, AZ 85551. Corresponding cousin Ruby has birth and marriage certificates and church records for her descendants.

FaehFDH'F. Harvey Thomas (now Thomas Harvey) Gardner, b 3.19.1917, Thatcher, Graham Co., AZ.

FaehFDH'G. Luther Gardner, b 10.3.1921, San Jose, Graham Co., AZ, d 6.7.1966, m 11.12.1944, Peggy Jo Bradshaw. Accidentally, Luther, Luther's daughter Jackaline, and Luther's brother Neal (S.N.G.) died together in an airplane crash near Casper, WY.

Ruby Mae Gardner (Be:FaehFDH'e.) and Milford William Kempton had these 4 CH: Laverna, Lanetta, Ira, and Milford; their DESC:

FaehFDH'ea. Laverna Mae Kempton, b 5.19.1932, Solomonsville, Graham Co., AZ, m 2.21.1953, Solomon, Graham Co., AZ, Finis Drewford Willis, b 6.11.1927, Kingsburg, Fresno Co., CA; 7 CH:

FaehFDH'eaA. Lyle Dee Willis, b 8.29.1954, Flagstaff, Coconino Co., AZ.

FaehFDH'eaB. Keith Lynn Willis, b 4.16.1956, Flagstaff, Coconino Co., AZ.

FaehFDH'eaC. Steven Lynn Willis, b 5.6.1958, Flagstaff, Coconino Co., AZ.

FaehFDH'eaD. Bryon Lee Willis, b 10.13.1959, Flagstaff, Coconino Co., AZ.

FaehFDH'eae. Deanna Willis, b 8.7.1961, Flagstaff, AZ.

FaehFDH'eaf. Annett Marie Willis, b 4.1.1968, Los Angeles, CA.

FaehFDH'eaG. Wayne Archie Willis, b 3.19.1974, Los Angeles, CA.

FaehFDH'eb. Lanetta Fae Kempton, b 5.19.1932, Solomonsville, Graham Co., AZ, m 3.14.1952, Bremerton, Kitsap Co., WA; Charles William Bogart, b 12.13.1925, Dunlay, Medina Co., TX; **4 adopted CH:**

First Child: Kendall William Bogart, b 10.8.1959, Boise, Ada Co., ID.

Second Child: Charles Allan Bogart, b 1.2.1962, Idaho Falls, Bonneville Co., ID.

Third Child: Carla Bogart, b 2.22.1965, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE.

Fourth Child: Jennie Bogart, b 7.5.1967, Washington, King Co., WA.

FaehFDH'eC. Ira Thomas Kempton, b 12.5.1938, Safford, Graham Co., AZ, m 5.15.1965, Lordsburg, Hildago, NM, Gerda Christine Gumpp (her third m), b 10.3.1934, Frankfurt am Main, Hesse, West Germany; one CH:

FaehFDH'eCA. Thomas Neal Kempton, b 4.28.1969, Safford, Graham Co., AZ.

FaehFDH'eD. Milford William Kempton, Jr., b 10.20.1951, Safford, Graham Co., AZ, m 11.22.1973, Safford, Graham Co., AZ, Debra Ellsworth, Reed's dtr, b 1.13.1954, Safford, Graham Co., AZ; 4 CH:

FaehFDH'eDa. Danielle Kempton, b 5.29.1974, Mesa, Maricopa Co., AZ.

FaehFDH'eDB. Brandon Nathaniel Kempton, b 3.14.1976, Safford, Graham Co., AZ.

FaehFDH'eDc. Stacie Kempton, b 5.20.1978, Safford, Graham Co., AZ; twin.

FaehFDH'eDd. Tracie Kempton, b 5.20.1978, Safford, Graham Co., AZ; twin.

Thomas Harvey (originally Harvey Thomas) Gardner (Be:FaehDFH'F.), b 3.10.1917, Thatcher, Graham Co., AZ, m 6.8.1939, Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., UT, Verda Marie Stuart, b 10.25.1915, Uintah, Weber Co., UT, dtr of Claude Elliot Stuart and Ellen Fredricka Fernelius; res (1978): Yuma, AZ; 9 CH:

FaehFDH'FA. Harvey Adan Gardner, b 5.28.1940, Safford, Graham Co., AZ.

FaehFDH'Fb. Kay Gardner, b 8.24.1941, Safford, AZ, m 9.7.1961, Francis Evan Morrison.

FaehFDH'Fc. Joan Gardner, b 11.29.1942, Solomonville, Graham Co., AZ, m 12.19.1970, Albert Megjeka.

FaehFDH'FD. Marshall Kim Gardner, BCRN: , b 12.10.1945, Safford, AZ, corresponding cousin; res (1978): 1901 First Street, Yuma, AZ 85364. He, his aunt Mrs. Ruby Gardner Kempton, and his grandfather Thomas F. Gardner, are responsible for the assemblage of the data --- the compilation for each of the generations back to the RI Progenitor WILLIAM BENTLEY (Be:F.) and his daughter Jane Bentley Wightman (Be:Fa.)

FaehFDH'Fe. Frances Gardner, b 12.19.1946, Safford, AZ, m 7.5.1969, Allen B. Winder.

FaehFDH'FF. Rickey Duane Gardner, b 7.26.1950, Safford, AZ.

FaehFDH'Fg. Judy Gardner, b 12.15.1951, Safford, AZ, m 7.31.1970, Kenneth Leonard Stacy.

FaehFDH'FH. Jay Nevin Gardner, b 6.15.1953, Yuma, Yuma Co., AZ.

FaehFDH'FI. Marvin Keith Gardner, b 8.11.1956, Yuma, AZ.

Marshall Kim Gardner, **Be:FaehFDH'FD.** "Yuma Kim" is a descendant of RI Progenitor WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y'S daughter Jane Bentl(e)y, spouse of John Wightman ("Whittman").

Line II. William, Be:FB.

FB. William Bentl(e)y, WILLIAM'S son (Be111., Be201.). "William Bently Son of William Born Jul ye 8 day 1677" (Be111.). "Son William Bently" named in the **Will** of his father WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y (Be201). William's **second** wife was named in his **Will** as Bathsheba according to Austin (Be206.). William Bentley m August 1, 1734, Westerly, RI Colony, to "Bathsheba Lewis," m by Samuel Wilbur, Justice (Be24.).

In 1949, Emilie Sarter commented as follows on William Bentl(e)y **(Be:FB.),** b 1677, son of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y of Kingstown, Colony of RI (Be111.) (the **verbatim** quotation from Be35., pages 22-3). E. Sarter's preliminary remark was that the children of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y were "all born probably in that part of King's Towne, King's Province, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, that is now in the eastern part of the township of Exeter, Washington County, State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations."

> i William **(2)** Bentley, born perhaps in 1677 or later and certainly by 1680 as, according to an item in "Probate Records, North Kingstown, 1692-1719" page 11, he was a "proprietor" of land prior to--day burned away--January, 1698/9. He married perhaps about 1700 (1) Elizabeth, whose surname is unknown; and at Westerly, to which town he had removed in 1715 and where his first wife, Elizabeth, died, date unknown, he married (2) on August 1, 1734, Bathsheba (....?) Lewis, widow of Israel **(3)** Lewis, Jr. (Israel **(2),** John **(1)**). Bathsheba is believed to have been a daughter of George **(3)** Greene, son of Edward **(2)** and Mary **(2)** (Tibbitts) Greene and grandson of John **(1)** Greene of Kings Towne. There were three John Greenes in the colony, fairly contemporaneously: John of Warwick, John of Newport and John of Kings Towne.
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> Bathsheba (?Greene?) (Lewis) Bentley[1] married (3) **(thirdly)** at South Kingstown, March 29, 1761, John Bissell of North Kingstown **(Be35.).**

William Bentley, son of WILLIAM, named his wife Bathsheba the executrix in his Will written on August 18, 1748, and proved on August 12, 1760. The name of his eldest child was not stated in his Will, but his son John was identified as his eldest son and his daughter Elizabeth as his eldest daughter. From the Will his eight eldest children appear to be those born by his first wife and his five youngest children by his second wife Bathsheba. The birth sequence of William's children is hypothetical except for the youngest three or five children:[2]

[1]Arnold, J.N., **Vital Rec. of RI**, Vol. 5, "South Kingstown," page 8, and "North Kingstown," page 9 (—): "John Bissell, of North Kingstown m March 29, 1761, Bathsheba Bentley of Richmond, RI; m by Jeremiah Crandall, Justice.

[2]Austin, J. O., **The Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island,** Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1969, p. 19 **(Be206.).** This searcher has not seen a copy of the original Will but quotes Austin. However, William's first wife was **not** "Mary Eliot" as reported by Austin. Birth sequence of William's children remains hypothetical until birth dates have been determined.

Be:

(1) John Bentley, "eldest son John Bentley."

(2) George Bentley, "son George."

(3) Elizabeth Bentley, "eldest daughter Elizabeth Potter."

(4) Caleb Bentley, "son Caleb."

(5) Ezekial Bentley, "son Ezekial."

(6) Tabitha Bentley, "daughter Tabitha Sweet."

(7) Ruhama Bentley, "daughter Ruhama James."

(8) Mary Bentley, "daughter Mary James."

William's five youngest children:

(9) William Bentley

(10) Thomas Bentley

(11) James Bentley

(12) Greene Bentley

(13) Benjamin Bentley

William Bentley (Be:FB.), son of William Bentley of Kingstown, was never married to a "Mary Eliot." Many persons have perpetuated the error that appears to have been originally made by J. O. Austin in **The Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island,** 1887, but reprinted with corrections and additions by G. Andrews Moriarty and copyrighted by Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., of Baltimore in 1969, reprinted in 1978. "Bentley" is the same.

The error is apparently still being perpetuated. The following comments were made by Emilie Sarter in 1953 in the compilation entitled **One Branch of the Bentley Family of Rhode Island:**

> **The Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island** published in 1887 by John Osborne Austin (1849--1918), a Rhode Islander by birth and descent, though not exhaustive nor always accurate, and spanning three and in many instances four generations, includes what is perhaps the first chart of the first Rhode Island Bentleys on which this pedigree is based.
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> In the second column of this chart on page 19, Austin states that William (2) Bentley, Jr., son of William (1) Bentley of Rhode Island, married for his first wife, on April 21, 1703, Mary Eliot. It was not, however, this William who married Mary Eliot.
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> Mary Eliot was a daughter of Henry and Deborah (Bell) (York) Eliot, of Stonington, Connecticut Colony. She was married there, according to both town and church records, on April 21, 1703, to William Bentley who was a son of William and Mary (Houghton) Bentley who were married in Dorchester, Massachusetts Bay Colony, in January 1675/6 and who had **apparently** died many years

prior to the time of their son's marriage to Mary Eliot.[1] William and Mary (Eliot) Bentley settled in Lebanon, Connecticut Colony. It does not appear that any Rhode Island Bentleys settled in Stonington or even in the Connecticut Colony until the middle of the eighteenth century.

Emilie Sarter gives as the sources for the foregoing these: (1) **Dorchester Marriage Records 1663--1683** in the **Report of the Boston Record Commissioners,** Volume 21, page 30;

(2) the printed **Milton (Mass.) Town Records 1662—1729,** page 215;

(3) **History of Milton 1640—1887** by A. K. Teele (1887);

(4) "Milton First Church Records," **New England Historic Genealogical Register** (1868), Volume 22, page 443;

(5) **Lancaster** (Mass.) **Birth, Marriage and Death Register, Church Records and Epitaphs,** by H. S. Nourse (1890), page 20;

(6) **History of the First Congregational Church of Stonington, 1674—1874** by R. A. Wheeler (1875);

(7) **Stonington Records** Volume 1, page 89;

(8) "William Bentley, Yeoman, of Lebanon, Conn." by Mrs. Edward M. Bentley, in manuscript form, copy of which was deposited in 1927 in the Connecticut Historical Society and another copy in the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library, Boston, MA; and

(9) "Bentley Line" by Mary Lovering Holman, in manuscript form, copy deposited in New England Historic Genealogical Society Library, Boston, about 1930.

Nothing has yet been found to prove any relationship between the "William Bentley" of Stonington, CT, and the Bentleys of Rhode Island.

The children of William Bentley, son of WILLIAM, are classified as follows:

FBA. John Bentley

FBB. George Bentley (see below)

FBc. Elizabeth Bentley

FBD. Caleb Bentley (see below)

FBE. Ezekial Bentley

FBf. Tabitha Bentley

FBg. Ruhama Bentley

[1]No evidence given (searcher's comment) for William as son of William and Mary (Houghton) Bentley. This connection is **not** given by Mrs. Edward M. Bentley in 1925 **(Be 600.).** On the contrary, she revealed, "This William is never designated 'Junior' which would indicate that his father's name was **not** William, or that he was **not** living in the vicinity or that he was dead at the time of his son's marriage."

FBh. Mary Bentley

FBI. William Bentley

FBJ. Thomas Bentley

FBK. James Bentley

FBL. Greene Bentley (see below)

FBM. Benjamin Bentley

Selected DESCENDANTS of William Bentley, Jr. follow:

FBA. John Bentley.

FBB. George Bentley, b 1698 (Be36.).

According to the family record given to J. H. Lobdell (1904) by George's great-grandson **Caleb Bentley** (Melancton's son and Caleb's grandson) of Berlin, Rensselaer Co., NY (Be79.), **George Bentley (Be:FBB.)** m 1724, Ruth Barber. According to the South Kingstown (RI) "Marriages" Book 1:68 (Arnold's **Vi. Rec. RI,** 5), George Bentley m March 4, 1723, South Kingstown, Ruth Barber. Their ten CH were (Be79):

FBBA. John Bentley, m 2.8.1747, Patience (or Phenie) Shaw.

FBBb. Mary Bentley, m **first** Joseph Babcock, **secondly** E. Weaver.

FBBC. Abial Bentley, d ae. 12 y (?).

FBBD. George Bentley, m Amy Carter (Be36.) (see below).

FBBe. Elizabeth Bentley, m John Babcock.

FBBf. Abigail Bentley, m Nathaniel Niles.

FBBg. Mary Bentley, m Eliphalet Jones.

FBBH. Caleb Bentley, m first Mary Gardner and m secondly Mary Hewitt, Joseph's dtr (Be79., Be36.); **m secondly Mary "Hulett"** (Be76.) (see below).

FBBi. Ruth Bentley, m 1.3.1764, Westerley, RI Colony, Gideon Satterlee (Westerley "Marriage" Book 3:94; Arnold's **Vi. Rec. RI,** 5).

FBBJ. Ezekiel Bentley, m Elizabeth Chapman.

(1) Selected descendants follow for George Bentley **(Be:FBBD.)**, son of George, b 1730, d 1813, m 1756 (?), Amy Carter (Be36.); son:

FBBDA. George Bentley, b 1756, d 1833, m Lucy Gard(i)ner; res (?): Goshen, CT; their seventh CH (Be36.):

FBBDAG. Ira N. Bentley, b 1802, d 1838.

(2) Selected descendants for Caleb Bentley **(Be:FBBH.)** follow.

FBBH. Caleb Bentley, son of George Bentley and Ruth Barber, b RI, 1742. "Mr. Caleb Bentley, of Berlin, Rensselaer Co., NY, b 1845, whose great grandparents were George Bentley and Ruth Barber, has in his possession old family records which he has kindly given us for publication, for which we

are all indebted to the above gentleman," wrote J. H. Lobdell (Be79., p. 79.). The following classification is based upon a letter to J. H. Lobdell (reproduced in her book) from Mr. Caleb Bentley, Berlin, Rensselaer Co., NY, June 24, 1904:

"Caleb Bentley was my grandfather and he was born in Rhode Island in 1742. His father was George Bentley. Caleb came to Berlin, NY, in 1769, and built the first two mills there. He had two wives—Mary Gardner and Mary Hewitt. By Mary Gardner he had one son named Uriah Bentley and he settled in Chautauqua Co., NY" (Be79.). Caleb's CH:

FBBHA. Uriah Bentley (see classification of selected descendants further on), b 6.12.1779, Berlin, Rensselaer Co., NY.

FBBHB. William Bentley, b 1780, d 1781, inf (Be77., Be36.).

By his **second** wife Mary Hewitt, **Caleb Bentley (Be:FBBH.) had 9 CH:**

FBBHC. William Bentley, b 2.24.1784, Berlin, Rensselaer Co., NY; m anon. spouse, settled in Horseheads, Chemung Co., NY.

FBBHD. Caleb Bentley, Jr., b 1.6.1786, Berlin, NY.

FBBHE. Darius Bentley, b 3.12.1788, Berlin, NY.

FBBHF. Cyrus Bentley, b 8.15.1790, Berlin, NY.

FBBHG. Alexander Bentley, b 6.21.1793, Berlin, NY.

FBBHh. Mary Bentley, b 9.22.1795, Berlin, NY (see further on for classification of descendants).

FBBHI. Rudolphus Bentley, b 11.6.1797, Berlin, NY.

FBBHj. Betsey Bentley, b 10.9.1801, Berlin, NY.

FBBHK. Melancton Bentley, b 12.10.1803, Berlin, NY (Be79.) (for descendants, see further on).

Selected descendants of Caleb Bentley (Be:FBBH.):

Uriah Bentley (Be:FBBHA.), b Berlin, Rensselaer Co., NY, 6.12.1779, m 12.28.1800, Nancy Sweet, b 5.7.1779; res was Busti, Chautauqua Co., NY, from 5.1810 on. They had 10 CH (Be77.).

Uriah Bentley (Be:FBBHA.), son of Caleb Bentley who was a Patriot Captain in the Revolutionary War, was b 1779, Berlin, NY, to Caleb's **first** wife Mary Gardner who d 1780. Uriah was m 1800 to Nancy Sweet, b 1779; res was Busti, NY (Be36.); their CH (in hypothetical birth-sequence):

FBBHAa. Jenny (legibility?) Bentley, b 1801 (Be36.).

FBBHAb. Sally Bentley, b 1803 (Be36.).

FBBHAC. Uriah Bentley, Jr., b ----- (Be36.).

FBBHAd. Sybil Bentley, b 1808 (Be36.).

FBBHAE. Hiram Bentley, b ----, d ca 1860, unm (Be36.).

FBBHAF. Simeon Bentley, b 1814 (Be36.).

FBBHAG. Alexander Bentley, b 1816 (Be36., Be78.) (**see below**).

FBBHAH. Gustavus Bentley, b 1817 (Be36.).

FBBHAi. Ulrica Bentley, b 1820 (Be36.); m Theron Ebenezer Palmeter, b 1819; res was Clear Lake, IA (had three CH) (Be36.).

FBBHAj. Minerva Bentley, b ---- (Be36.); m Alfred W. Steward; res was Busti, NY (Be36.).

Alexander Bentley (Be:FBBHAG.) (Be36.:5-402), b 1816, d 1884, Fluvanna, NY, m 1843, Mary Lavantia Norton, David's dtr, b 182-, d 1901 (Be36.); m Lavantia Mary Norton (Be78.); their 4 CH:

FBBHAGA. Sardius DeLancey Bentley, attorney, Rochester, NY, b 1843 (Be36.) (**see below**).

FBBHAGB. Gustavus Adolphus Bentley, b 1845, farmer, m Sarah Williams; res (1906 ca): Fluvanna, NY (Be36.).

FBBHAGC. Charles Martin Bentley, b 1849, farmer, Fluvanna, NY (Be36.).

FBBHAGD. Uriah Bentley, b 1855, seed merchant, Detroit, MI; m Sarah J. Perkins (?).(Be36.).

Sardius DeLancey Bentley (Be:FBBHAGA.) (Be78.), attorney, Rochester, NY, b 1843, m 1878, "Martha Breck Cogswell," b 1852, dtr of William Francis Cogswell (Be36.); their six CH:

FBBHAGAA. Cogswell Bentley, attorney, b 1879; res was Rochester, NY (Be36., Be78.).

FBBHAGAB. Alexander Norton Bentley, b 1880; res was Cleveland, OH (Be36.).

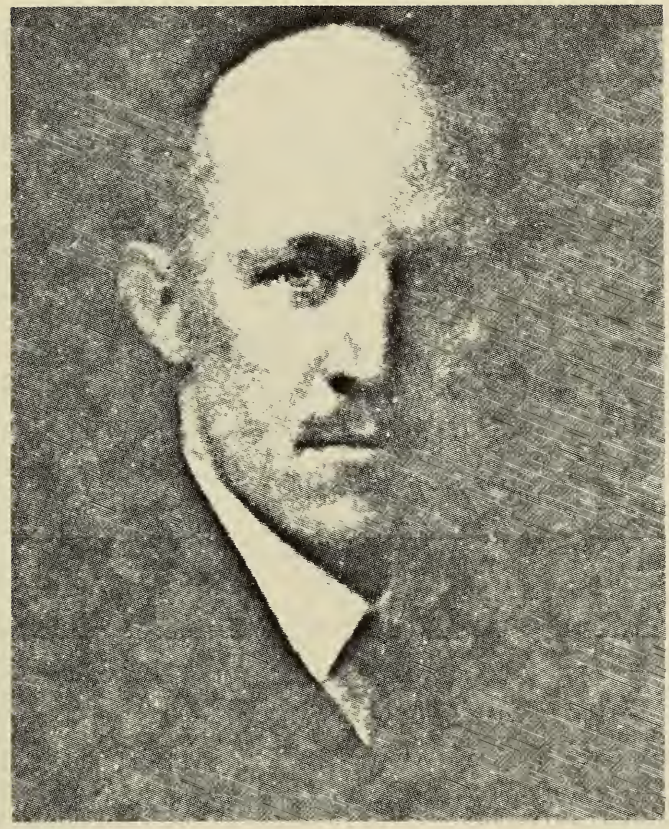
FBBHAGAC. Harold Dudley Bentley, banker, b 1885; res was Rochester, NY (Be36.).

FBBHAGAD. DeLancey Bentley, manufacturer, b 1887; res was Rochester, NY (Be36.).

FBBHAGAE. Charles Raymond Bentley, student (ca 1906), b 1889 (Be36.); b 11.24.1889, Rochester, NY, "son of Sardius DeLancey and Martha Burr (Cogswell) Bentley" (Be78.). See biog. sketch.

FBBHAGAF. Livingston Bentley, b 18-- (Be36.).

Charles **Raymond** Bentley **(Be:FBBHAGAE.)** has claimed descent from Sardius DeLancey (7), Alexander (6), Uriah (5), Caleb (4), George (3), William (2), WILLIAM (1) BENTLEY. WILLIAM "came from Lancashire, England, to Kingstown, RI, before 1679." Raymond was a lawyer, b 11.24.1889, Rochester, NY, son of Sardius DeLancey and Martha Burr (Cogswell) Bentley. His father Sardius was the son of Alexander and Levantia



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Charles Raymond Bentley, **Be:FBBHAGAE.**

Mary (Norton) Bentley and was also a lawyer. Raymond was graduated B.A. at Yale college in 1910 and LL.B. **summa cum laude**[1] at the Yale law school in 1913. He practiced in New York City (1914-16) and thereafter until his death practiced in Rochester, NY, having been a partner with his brother Cogswell Bentley during 1916-19.

According to his biography,

> His speciality was real estate law, on which he was considered an authority. During 1924-29 he was a director and during 1925-28 assistant secretary of the Title Guarantee Corp. of Rochester. During American participation in the First World War he served overseas as a First Lieutenant and Captain with the headquarters staff, 1st Army Corps, A.E.F. He was a member of the American, New York State and Rochester bar associations, the Phi Beta Kappa society and the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. In religion he was a Presbyterian and in politics a Republican. He was a man of brilliant intellect, keen humor, tolerance and fortitude. His fortitude is exemplified by the fact that during the last eighteen years of his life he suffered from a disease that progressively paralyzed his body and forced him finally to carry on his practice from a wheel chair. Yet

[1] "With highest praise" (used on his diploma to denote the special merit of his work).

through it all he remained unconquerably resolute and cheerful. His interests outside of law included foreign languages, music and literature.

He was married at Rochester, Nov. 15, 1928, to Janet Everest, dtr of Charles M., one-time president of the Vacuum Oil Co. Raymond d 2.28.1940, Rochester, NY. He and his wife adopted two children, Robert Hubbard Bentley and Ruth Everest Bentley. They also had two children of their own:

FBBHAGAEA. Charles Raymond Bentley, Jr.

FBBHAGAEb. Martha Hartwell Bentley.

Charles Raymond Bentley, Sr. and brother Cogswell E. completed "Genealogical Record" forms that were seen by this searcher in the NEHGSL, Boston, Bentley Safe-Ms. 27, M.L. Holman. The source of his biography located by this searcher in the Long Beach Main Library was **The National Cyclopaedia of American Biography,** Vol. 30, 1943 (Be78.).

In the biography, the wife of WILLIAM BENTLEY of Kingstown is named "Sarah Leithfield" but this searcher has found no evidence for her name being anything other than "Sarah." The name of "Mary Eliot" as wife of WILLIAM'S son William is incorrectly stated because she was the wife of William Bentley of CT. The wife of his ancestor George Bentley was given as "Ruth Barber," and that m was recorded March 4, 1723/4, South Kingstown (Be597.). Also included in the biography were the names of the wife Mary Gardner of George's son Caleb and the wife Nancy Sweet of Caleb's son Uriah Bentley.

FBBHAGAF. Livingston Bentley, son of Sardius.

FBBHAGB. Gustavus Adolphus Bentley, Alexander's son (see above).

FBBHAGC. Charles Martin Bentley, Alexander's son.

FBBHAGD. Uriah Bentley, Alexander's son.

FBBHAH. Gustavus Bentley, Uriah's son.

FBBHAi. Ulrica Bentley, Uriah's dtr.

FBBHAj. Minerva Bentley, Uriah's dtr.

FBBHB. William Bentley, Caleb's son.

FBBHC. William Bentley, Caleb's son.

FBBHD. Caleb Bentley, Caleb's son.

FBBHE. Darius Bentley, Caleb's son.

FBBHF. Cyrus Bentley, Caleb's son.

FBBHG. Alexander Bentley, Caleb's son.

FBBHh. Mary Bentley, Caleb's dtr, b 9.22.1795, Berlin, NY.

Mary Bentley **(Be:FBBHh.)** (first of three sources), b 1795, d 1901, **ae. 106 years.** Mary m ca 1812, Capt. Nathaniel Smith. Her res had been in Big Foot Prairie, IL; San Francisco, CA; ----; and Los Angeles, CA. Mary had 13 CH (Be36.).

Mary Bentley **(Be:FBBHh.)** (second of three sources) b 9.22.1795, d 1901, **ae. 106 y,** Los Angeles, CA; m 1812, Nathaniel Smith, b 1788, d 1864. Nathaniel Smith was living in IL, 1838. Their son Darius B. Smith, ae. 25 y, was living in Chemung Co., NY (Be77.).

Mary Bentley **(Be:FBBHh.)** (Be76.) (third of three sources), is the subject of an account written by Anna (Cummings) Harlow **(Be:FBBHhee.)** in 1949 at the age of 90 years and copied in 1957 by her granddaughter Elthea (Harlow) Pascoe.

> As I remember it — but most of it as told to me by my Mother, Sarah Frances, her second daughter and also Sarah's fifth child — Anna Cummings Harlow.
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> Mary Bentley was the daughter of Caleb Bentley and his wife Mary Hulett. She was born in New York State 1795 and lived to 1901—**a period of 106 years.** She died in Los Angeles, California. She was living at that time with her youngest son, Benjamin Nathaniel Smith, Judge of Los Angeles County.
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> I don't know much about **Caleb Bentley** except that **he was English and fought in the Revolutionary War, was a Captain in a New York regiment.** He had a large family, six or seven boys and two girls. He died some years before his wife as she lived with her daughter while my mother was growing up and was very severe with the children. She was very austere, and the children didn't have the pleasant memories of her as of their Grandmother Smith, who lived with them at the same time. Grandmother Smith was jolly and ready to play games with them at any time—she was very athletic—and could put a row of chairs across the room and jump over them one at a time. She and Grandmother Bentley were not very good friends. Grandmother Smith was too plebian. They were both named Mary.
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> The two older Bentley boys were named Darius and Cyrus, both of their wives were named Hannah, and to distinguish between them they called them Aunt Hannah Cy and Aunt Hannah Dry. They all lived in New York State. I never heard mother say much about them. Caleb lived in Illinois. His wife was German and called Christine—we called her Tine. One of the Bentley brothers married her sister Nettie (their names were Price).
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> Mary Bentley married Nathaniel Smith in 1811. Grandmother was then sixteen. Her husband had a home prepared for her in Western Massachusetts, County of Hancock. They went on horseback for their wedding journey. She rode behind her husband . . . They lived in Mass. until 1832 and then moved to Horseheads, N.Y., near Elmira, and lived there many years. Grandfather Smith was a farmer, but he also was in politics. He was a member of the

State Legislature, also a judge and was always called Judge Smith... Grandmother's nickname was Polly. They (their descendants) are scattered all over the United States and even in Arabia. It was a large family—nine boys and four girls —all grew up, but never were all together. When they came to Illinois, they left Darius behind as he was already located. The children of Nathaniel and Mary (Bentley) Smith: (A) Darius Bentley Smith, (B) Rowland C. Smith, (C) Nelson D. Smith, (d) Mary Elizabeth Smith, (e) Sarah Frances Smith, (F) William G. Smith, (g) Jane Hulett Smith, (H) John I. Smith, (I) Andrew J. Smith, (J) Nathaniel K. Smith, (k) Lois L. Smith, (L) Hiram W. Smith, and (M) Benjamin Nathaniel Smith.

FBBHhA. Darius Bentley Smith, b 1812, d 1873, m Elthea Brotherton; res was Corning, Steuben Co. (14 mi. W of Elmira), NY; one CH (Be36.):

FBBHhAA. James Smith, m Anna Beatty; res. was Corning, Steuben Co., NY; one CH:

FBBHhAAa. Elthea Smith, m George Bronson (Be36.).

FBBHhB. Rowland C. Smith, b 1813, d 1856, m Margaret Westlake, had 5 sons and 3 dtrs.

FBBHhC. Nelson D. Smith, b 181?; res: CA (Be36.).

Nelson went to IL in 1836 and in 1849 went to CA with the same train as his sisters Lois and Jane and brother-in-law John Cummings and never returned. He never saw his mother again until she was a very old lady. After his mother moved to Los Angeles, California, with his brother Benjamin, Nelson went to see her—he was then an old man and a stranger to her (Be76.).

FBBHhd. Mary Elizabeth Smith, b 1818, m Eli S. Reynolds; res was Mason City, IA; 3 CH:

FBBHhdA. Jerome Reynolds, d Louisiana during the Civil War (Be76.).

FBBHhdB. George Reynolds.

FBBHhdC. James Reynolds.

FBBHhe. Sarah Frances Smith, b 1820, m John Cummings. Sarah, b 1820, MA, d ae. 88 y. She was two years old when the family moved to Horseheads and 18 when they came to IL. She m "my father," John Cummings, a young man from Geneva, WI, in 1844. "He was born Nov. 20, 1815 (the day of the battle of Waterloo), Greenock, Ayrshire, Scotland," wrote his dtr Annah. For some time "my father" worked from Grandfather Smith—after he and "my mother" were married and "my oldest brother Daniel Smith Cummings" was b at "Grandfather's." Later "my father" bought land in IL about one mile from the WI line and here the rest of the CH were born.

Annah (Be76.) relates, "Father was a very successful farmer and did many things to augment his income. Several winters he went into the woods of Northern Wisconsin and worked at lumbering; and in the Gold Rush of 1849, he

went to California to get rich, but he only came out without gold and a good dose of smallpox which he said accounted for his good health."

There were seven CH: (A) Daniel, (b) Elthea, (C) John, (D) Hiram, (e) Annah, (f) Jennie, and (G) George.

FBBHheA. Daniel Smith Cummings, lived to be almost 90 years old, m Celia Meigs; their two CH:

FBBHheAA. Roy Cummings, res was Janesville, WI.

FBBHheAb. Elsie Cummings, res was Janesville, WI (Be76.).

FBBHheb. Elthea Cummings, lived to be over 80 years old, m Henry Truax; 5 CH.

FBBHheC. John Howard Cummings, was in his 70's when he died, was blind, and in middle life became entirely deaf.

FBBHheD. Hiram Mortimer Cummings, lived to be over 80 years old, b 8.8.1856, m Elizabeth Grove; they had 4 boys and 1 dtr, all of whom had CH; the oldest CH:

FBBHheDA. John Howard Cummings.

FBBHhee. Annah Cummings, wrote the original account entitled "A Short History of Mary Bentley Smith" (Be76.). In referring to the Revolutionary War Patriot Captain Caleb Bentley **(Be:FBBH.),** Annah summed up the family's military service, "Grandmother's father served in the Revolutionary War, her husband in the War of 1812, a son and many grandsons in the Civil War, the Spanish American War, the World Wars I and II and the Conflicts of Mexican and Indian Wars . . ."

Annah m Edward H. Harlow and had 5 CH (uncertain birth-order):

FBBHheeA. Frederick Harlow, d inf.

FBBHheeb. Fanny Harlow, d inf.

FBBHheeC. Philip Harlow, m.

FBBHheeD. E. George Harlow, m.

FBBHheeE. A. Page Harlow, m.

FBBHhee??. Elthea Harlow, m --- Pascoe; copied (1957) her gm Annah's account of Mary Bentley Smith's family (Be76.).

FBBHhef. Clara Jane (Jennie) Cummings, b 3.18.1861, d ae. 25 years from TB. Jennie became blind in early life and went to the school for the blind at Janesville, WI, when she was 8 years old; she stayed there the rest of her life. After she was graduated, she was engaged as a pupil-teacher, later as a regular music teacher with a salary.

FBBHheG. George Reynolds Cummings, lived in Janesville, WI, d of TB ae. 35 years. George was a railroad engineer. He m Dora Westlake of Rockton; they had one son:

FBBHheGA. (anon. George's son) Cummings.

FBBHhF. William G. Smith. (Be76., Be36.).

FBBHhg. Jane Hulett Smith (Be76.), b 1823, m --- Blodgett; res was San Jose, CA; 3 CH (Be36.), one of whom was:

FBBHhga. Frances Blodgett (Be36.).

FBBHhH. John I. Smith, b 1825, m ----; res was MO; 3 CH (Be36.):

FBBHhHa. Lulu Smith

FBBHhHb. Florence Smith

FBBHhHC. Nathaniel Smith

FBBHhI. Andrew J. Smith, (Be76.), b 1827 (Be36.).

FBBHhJ. Nathaniel K. Smith, b 1829 (Be36.), NY, moved to IL, "took the trip to CA and return." He farmed the rest of his life (Be76.). His res. was Sharon, Walworth Co., WI (Be36.). Nathaniel m Helen Toby, and they had 4 CH, (a) Emma, (B) Charles, (C) Jay, and (d) Nellie; DESC:

FBBHhJa. Emma Smith, m Frank Gile, a prosperous farmer. Annah wrote that she liked to visit her cousin Emma because "she had everything in abundance." Emma and Frank had 5 CH (Be76.):

FBBHhJaA. Harry Gile, m and had 10 CH.

FBBHhJaB. Fred Gile, m and had 5 CH.

FBBHhJac. Nellie Gile, m Orley Hickcock; 1 CH.

FBBHhJad. Leta Gile, m --- and had 4 CH.

FBBHhJaE. Glen Gile thought it better to remain unmarried.

FBBHhk. Lois L. Smith, b 1831 (Be36.); b 1832, m Austin Badger (Be76.); res was Chicago, IL (Be36.); CH:

FBBHhkA. Ansel Badger, res was Oregon City, OR; later returned to Woodstock, McHenry Co., IL (Be76.).

FBBHhkb. Lois Badger, m ---- VanAuken; CH:

FBBHhkba. Martha Ann VanAuken; at last report res was Oregon City, OR (Be76.).

FBBHhL. Hiram W. Smith, b 1836 (Be36.).

FBBHhM. Benjamin Nathaniel Smith, b 1839, Judge of the Superior Court, Los Angeles, CA; m Abbie Bishop; 4 CH (Be36.):

FBBHhMa. Julia Smith

FBBHhMb. Louise Smith

FBBHhMC. Benjamin Smith, b 187?.

FBBHhMd. Theresa Bentley Smith, b 1880.

FBBHI. Rudolphus Bentley, b 11.6.1797, Berlin, NY (Be79.).

FBBHj. Betsey Bentley, b 10.9.1801, Berlin, NY (Be79.).

FBBHK. Melancton Bentley, b 12.10.1803, Berlin, NY (Be79.).

Melancton Bentley (Be:FBBHK.), Caleb's son, b 12.10.1803, Berlin, NY. Caleb Bentley's grandson Caleb continued to write, "Melancton Bentley was my father, b at Berlin, NY, 10 Dec., 1803, m (**first**) 1 March, 1828, Eliza Smith, daughter of Captain and Eunice Smith." Their CH (according to Caleb Bentley, Melancton's son) (Be79.):

FBBHKa. Caroline Maria Bentley, b 2.21.1830, deceased.

FBBHKb. Caroline Bentley, b 5.19.1833.

FBBHKc. Eunice Mary Bentley, b 11.23.1836, m Rufus Sweet; res (1904): Stephentown, NY.

FBBHKd. Amanda Bentley, b 1.1.1839, m Columbus Clough; res (1904): Pittsfield, MA.

Melancton Bentley, Caleb's father, m **secondly** 3.1.1844, Eliza Reynolds, Henry's dtr, and had these four CH:

FBBHKE. Caleb Bentley, b 12.13.1845, **correspondent** with J.H. Lobdell (Be79.) in 1904, m Emma Whitford (also Be36.) (see below).

FBBHKF. David R. Bentley, b 6.26.1847, m Flora Gorton; res (1904): Hancock, MA.

FBBHKg. Minnie Bentley, b 7.24.1850, m Jessie Prickett; res (1904): Pittsfield, MA.

FBBHKH. William M. Bentley, b 2.23.1854, m Jane Clay; res (1904): near Rutland, IL.

Caleb Bentley (Be:FBBHKE.), Melancton's son, b 12.13.1845, Berlin, Rensselaer Co., NY, m 10.22.1866, Emma L. Whitford, David's dtr, b 7.4.1846, Stephentown, Renssaeler Co., NY; five CH (Be79.):

FBBHKEa. Eva Grace Bentley, m John Armsby; res (1904): South Berlin, NY.

FBBHKEb. Janie Blanche Bentley, m Elmer Hull; res (1904): Berlin, NY.

FBBHKEc. Zella May Bentley, m Byron Shaw; res (1904): Hoosick, NY.

FBBHKED. William Osberto Bentley, m Nellie Barber; res (1904): Berlin, NY.

FBBHKF. David R. Bentley (see above).

FBBHKg. Minnie Bentley.

FBBHKH. William M. Bentley.

FBBi. Ruth Bentley, George's dtr, m Gideon Satterly.

FBBJ. Ezekial Bentley, George's son, m Elizabeth Chapman.

FBc. Elizabeth Bentley, dtr of William Bentley, Jr.

FBD. Caleb Bentley, son of William Bentley, Jr., and first wife. The first wife, mother of Caleb, was identified by descendant Gamaliel **Alden** Beaman as Elizabeth Gardner in his letter of May, 1978. In this letter Alden states that he is descended from Penelope Bentley, dtr of Dorcas Gould and Caleb Bentley, son of William Bentley, son of WILLIAM BENTLEY.

This searcher has referred to (1) Caleb Bentley's **Will** for the names of nineteen children (excepting "Elizabeth"), three grandsons, and wife (second) (Be599.) and (2) A.G. Beaman's "Archive Record" sheets as a guide to the tentative classification of Caleb's offspring (Be598.). This searcher has not made a detailed trace to living descendant Alden G. Beaman, P.O. Box 585, East Princeton, MA (01517), the compiler-publisher of several volumes entitled **Rhode Island Vital Records, New Series.** The books are currently available from him (1978).

Caleb and Tabitha (Gould) Bentley, m 1.21.1738, North Kingstown, RI Colony, and had these 12 CH and selected DESC:

FBDA. Oliver Bentley (Be599.); b ca 1738, Exeter, RI (Be598.).

FBDb. Elizabeth Bentley (Be598.); b ca 1740, Exeter, RI, m Nov. 6, 1763, Record Tabor; (Be598.) (Be596.), South Kingstown (Be596.), RI; CH:

FBDbA. "Lawdwick Taber," "Grandson" of Caleb (Be599.). His deceased mother's name was **not** given in his grandfather's **Will** written 1.13.1790 (Be599.).

FBDC. Gideon Bentley (Be599.); b ca 1741 (Be598.).

FBDd. Dorcas Bentley, b ca 1743 (Be598.); m ---- Shearman (Be599.); m 12.15.1763, South Kingstown, RI Colony, Josiah Sherman (Be595., Be598.).

FBDE. Caleb Bentley (Be599.), b 1744, Exeter (Be598.); m Nancy North(r)up (Be598., **et al).** Are these the parents, known as "Caleb and Ann(e) (----) Bentley" (see Be699.), of a son named "Samuel Bentley" who m 11.15.1798, South Kingstown (Book 2:2), Martha Adams, Ebenezer's dtr? Caleb and Anne were m by the Rev. William **Northup** (Be593.).

The probability exists for the above-named Caleb to be the ancestor of Edwin M. Bentley (tentatively classified **Be:FBDEAPGCC.),** of Seattle, WA. Until more conclusive evidence can be located, this connection should probably be considered hypothetical or perhaps theoretical if enough circumstantial evidence emerges.

Perhaps the following trace (hypothetical?) can be authenticated by simply producing the evidence that verifies **Nancy North(r)up's husband Caleb Bentley as the son of Caleb** Bentley **(Be:FBD.),** William's son. Edwin M. Bentley of Seattle, WA (1978), has requested Alden G. Beaman (Be590.) to

pinpoint the source which he allegedly located for these parent-offspring bonds and husband-wife bonds.

Meanwhile, if we may assume that the bond in question is based upon acceptable evidence, Edwin M. Bentley's descent from WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y of Kingstown, RI, and native of Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England, would likely be as follows:

Be:F. William Bentley, m Sarah (----); son:

Be:FB. William Bentley, who had this son by his first wife:

Be:FBD. Caleb Bentley, m Tabitha Gould; son:

Be:FBDE. Caleb Bentley, m Anne (----) (Be593.), m Nancy North(r)up (Be590.) (Be598., **et al**); son:

Be:FBDEA. Samuel Bentley, m **first** Martha Adams, m **secondly** Susannah (----), and m **thirdly** A(u)zubah Graham; son of Samuel and A(u)zubah:

Be:FBDEAP. Edwin Bentley, m Mary Abigail Oakes; son:

Be:FBDEAPG. John Buzz Bentley, m Edith May Pierce; son:

Be:FBDEAPGC. Edwin Harold Bentley, m Neva Marie Coleman; son:

Be:FBDEAPGCC. Edwin Meredith Bentley, b 10.4.1942, Council Bluffs, IA; res (1978): Seattle, WA; genealogical researcher.

In support of the foregoing trace, Edwin M. Bentley **(Be:FBDEAPGCC.)** submitted the following documentation in September of 1978, from Seattle, WA. The tentative classification has been added by this classifier. Both the searcher-researcher and the classifier await further evidence for the "incontrovertible link" between Caleb Bentley **(Be:FBDE.)** and his father, presently assumed to be Caleb Bentley **(Be:FBD.)** son of William **(Be:FB.)** and the grandson of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y, the Rhode Island Bentley-progenitor.

I. Edwin Meredith Bentley **(Be:FBDEAPGCC.),** b 10.4.1942, Council Bluffs, Pottawattamie Co., IA, son of Edwin Harold Bentley and Neva Marie Coleman (Birth Certificate; Be700.).

II. Edwin Harold Bentley **(Be:FBDEAPGC.),** b 11.13.1906, near Oakland, Pottawattamie Co., IA (Be702., Be703., Be701.); son of John Buzz Bentley and Edith May Pierce (Be703., Be702.).

III. John Buzz Bentley, **(Be:FBDEAPG.)**, b 8.24.1867, Wayne Twp., Crawford Co., PA, son of Edwin Bentley and Mary Abigail Oakes (Be704., Be705., Be706., Be703.).

IV. Edwin Bentley **(Be:FBDEAP.),** b 2.17.1829, Sweden Town, Monroe Co., NY (Be703.), d 3.12.1909 (Be710.), son of Samuel Bentley and A(u)zubah Graham (Be703., Be708., Be710.); m Mary Abigail Oakes, b 1.2.1832, d 7.10.1925 (Be710., Be703.).

V. Samuel Bentley **(Be:FBDEA.),** b June 7, 1776 (Be703.), in RI (Be713.), son of Caleb and Anne Bentley (Be714.), **first** m 11.15.1798, South

Kingstown, RI, Martha Adams, dtr of Ebenezer and Sarah (Be714.). For additional evidence, see "Evid." for ref. (Be714.). Samuel Bentley d 7.12.1834, at age 59 y, bur Crosby Cem., Rome Twp., Ashtabula Co., OH (Be712.). Samuel m **secondly** Susanna (----) (Be714., evid. 10) and **thirdly** A(u)zubah ("Zubah") Graham, who after Samuel's death m Ezra Dewey (Be714., evid. 16, 15, 14.).

VI. Caleb Bentley **(Be:FBDE.),** m "Ann(e)" (----) and/or (?) m "Nancy" North(r)up (see Be715; see also evid. for answer to query for Be715.).

Selected "known-descendants" of Caleb Bentley **(Be:FBDE.)** and Nancy North(r)up (Be699.) ("Anne"—?) (Be593.) follow. Caleb had these children (Be715., verified?): (A) **Samuel,** (B) William N., (C) Gideon, (D) John, (E) Cyrus, (f) Deborah, (g) Anna, (H) Arnold, and (i) Polly; DESC:

FBDEA. Samuel Bentley, "of Caleb and Anne," m **first** 11.15.1798, South Kingstown, RI, Martha Adams, Ebenezer's dtr (Be593.); their CH: (a) Abigail, (B) Simeon A., (C) Almon(d), (d) Olive, (E) Alfred, (f) Sally Ann, (g) Lucy, and (h) Martha Bentley.

Samuel Bentley **(Be:FBDEA.)** m **secondly** Susannah (----) and had five CH: (I) Samuel, (J) Calvin, (K) Arnold G., (L) Alanson, and (M) Garner Bentley.

Samuel Bentley **(Be:FBDEA.)** m **thirdly** A(u)zubah Graham and had these five CH: (N) Gustavus, (O) Augustus, (P) Edwin, (q) Nancy Ann, and (r) Marietta.

Selected descendants of Samuel Bentley **(Be:FBDEA.)** are:

FBDEAa. Abigail Bentley, b 6.7.1799, RI, d 3.10.1878, bur Brockport Cem., Lake Read, Sweden, Monroe Co., NY; m 12.14.1817, John Beedle (Beadle?), Capt. John's son, b 5.1.1798, NH; they had 11 or 12 CH.

FBDEAB. Simeon A. Bentley, b 1.16.1801, RI, d 5.26.1887, Hastings, Barry Co., MI.

FBDEAC. Almon(d) Bentley, b 4.17.1803, MA, d 3.26.1891, Sweden, Monroe Co., NY.

FBDEAd. Olive Bentley, b 3.5.1805.

FBDEAE. Alfred Bentley, b 4.27.1807, MA, d 1864, Cuyahoga Co., OH.

FBDEAf. Sally Ann Bentley, b 5.31.1809.

FBDEAg. Lucy Bentley, b 4.23.1811.

FBDEAh. Martha Bentley, dtr of Caleb and Martha, b 4.7.1813, d 9.23.1845, bur Mt. Hope Cem., Randolph Twp., Crawford Co., PA; m 2.18.1833, Ashtabula Co., OH, David Graham, b 1800, VT.

Samuel Bentley and his **second** wife Susannah had these DESC:

FBDEAI. Samuel Bentley, b 3.31.1815, NY; res (was): St. Charles, Kane Co., IL; m Minerva Durant, John's dtr; had six CH.

FBDEAJ. Calvin Bentley, b 9.10.1816, NY, d 1852, bur Wheatland Twp., Kenosha Co., WI; m Melissa (----); 3 CH (1850 CR):

FBDEAJA. Emery J. Bentley, b 8.1844, WI.

FBDEAJb. Celestia Bentley, b ca 1847, WI.

FBDEAJC. Myron Bentley, b ca 1849, WI.

FBDEAK. Arnold George Bentley, b 8.26.1818, Sweden, Monroe Co., NY; res (after 1850): Kane Co., IL.

FBDEAL. Alanson R. Bentley, b 12.8.1820, NY.

FBDEAM. Gar(d)ner Bentley, b 12.7.1822, NY.

Samuel Bentley **(Be:FBDEA.)** and his **third** wife Azubah Graham had these DESC:

FBDEAN. Gustavus Bentley, b 3.25.1827, Sweden, Monroe Co., NY, d 9.29.1904, Crawford Co., PA, bur Hatch Cem., Randolph Twp., Crawford Co., PA; m **first** Sarah E. Thompson, according to Mrs. Verna Price of Lakeview, OR. Sarah d 2.23.1872, ae. 42 y. 10 m. 28d., Crawford Co., PA; two eldest of several CH:

FBDEANa. Ellen J. Bentley, b 12.1.1850, Crawford Co., PA, d 1874, m H. H. Gravens.

FBDEANB. Willis G. Bentley, b 3.15.1856, Crawford, PA, d 9.5.1920, m 3.20.1890, Carrie M. Hatch.

FBDEAO. Augustus Bentley, twin, b 3.25.1827, Sweden, Monroe Co., NY; d 4.20.(1894) (?), Crawford Co., PA; m Mary C. Pratt; 5 CH, the eldest of whom was:

FBDEAOA. Almond H. Bentley, b 10.23.1862, Crawford, PA, d 1.12.1917; m 10.28.1895, Etta M. Burchin (Birchin?), b 5.12.1877, PA. Almond was a barber living in Titusville, 1900. Their 2 CH:

FBDEAOAA. Raymond D. Bentley, b 2.5.1897, PA.

FBDEAOAb. Mary Birdena Bentley, b 1.28.1899, Titusville, Crawford Co., PA. Titusville was the site of the first oil well drilled in the U.S.A., 1859.

FBDEAP. Edwin Bentley, b 2.17.1829, Sweden, Monroe Co., NY, d 3.12.1909, Randolph Twp., Crawford Co., PA, bur Mt. Hope Cem; m 9.12.1854, Guy Mills Congregational Church, Crawford Co., PA (by Rev. Gail), Mary Abigail Oakes, Joel's dtr, b 1.2.1832, Wayne Twp., Crawford Co., PA, d 7.10.1925, Meadville, Crawford Co., PA, bur Mt. Hope Cem; 10 CH (Be711.): (A) Sherwood, (b) Lura, (c) Alice, (D) Samuel, (E) Fred, (f) Edna, (G) John, (H) Ansel, (I) Rodney, and (J) William; selected DESC:

FBDEAPA. Sherwood Bentley, b 6.6.1855, Wayne Twp., Crawford Co., PA, d 11.10.1935, m 8.27.1884, Gillian Radle, d 12.8.1939.

FBDEAPb. Lura Myrtilla Bentley, b 5.27.1857, Jackson, Venango Co., PA, d 12.21.1927, m 8.5.1879, Isaac B. Armstrong, d 1.25.1917.

FBDEAPc. Alice Marilla Bentley, b 4.12.1859, Jackson, Venango Co., PA, d 8.6.1949, unm.

FBDEAPD. Samuel E. Bentley, b 4.20.1861, Jackson, Venango Co., PA, d 11.22.1932, m **first** Cora Hatch, m **secondly** Anna M. Burke.

FBDEAPE. Fred Bentley, b 6.14.1863, Jackson, Venango Co., PA, d 12.13.1863, inf.

FBDEAPf. Edna Marie Bentley, b 11.20.1864, Wayne Twp. (near Sugar Lake, Crawford Co.), PA, d 2.2.1908, m 10.12.1884, Penrose Thomas Haight.

FBDEAPG. John Buzz Bentley, son of Edwin and Mary Abigail, b 8.24.1867, Guys Mills, Wayne Twp., Crawford Co., PA, d 11.28.1930, Oakland, Pottawattamie Co., IA, m 1.15.1902, Oakland, IA, Edith May Pierce, Otto's dtr, b 1.8.1880, Oakland, IA, d 6.29.1954, Oakland, IA; their 8 CH: (A) Orris, (B) Walter, (C) Edwin, (D) John, (E) Kenneth, (F) Donald, (g) Leona, and (H) Harry Bentley; selected DESC:

FBDEAPGA. Orris Winfield Bentley, b 8.15.1902, Oakland, IA, m 8.27.1927, Ruth Leone Sowers.

FBDEAPGB. Walter Leonard Bentley, b 8.3.1904, Oakland, IA, m 12.4.1948, Lucille Marie Blanchard.

FBDEAPGC. Edwin Harold Bentley, son of John and Edith, b 11.13.1906, Pottawattamie Co., IA, m 5.20.1936, NE, Neva Marie Coleman, Roy's dtr, b 5.30.1914, Pottawattamie Co., IA; five CH:

FBDEAPGCA. Kendall Leroy Bentley, b 11.8.1938, Council Bluffs, Pottawattamie Co., IA.

FBDEAPGCb. Sherryl Sue Bentley, b 6.5.1940, Council Bluffs, IA, m 1962, Donald Hoeppner.

FBDEAPGCC. Edwin Meredith Bentley, b 10.4.1942, Council Bluffs, Pottawattamie Co., IA; res (1978): 1703 Harvard Ave., **Seattle,** WA 98122. Ed has devoted much time and energy in following his genealogical pursuits as a searcher-researcher for Bentley ancestors and descendants throughout America.

FBDEAPGCD. Marshall Kaye Bentley, b 9.23.1943, Council Bluffs, IA, m Betty Jo Lowry.

FBDEAPGCe. Layna Beth Bentley, b 2.18.1947, Council Bluffs, IA.

FBDEAPGD. John Pierce Bentley, son of John and Edith, b 8.2.1909, Oakland, Pottawattamie Co., IA, d 1970, m 1.2.1941, Mary Ellen Lamp.

FBDEAPGE. Kenneth Harrison Bentley, b 3.12.1912, Oakland, IA, m 12.27.1951, Margery Lorene Minnig.

FBDEAPGF. Donald Francis Bentley, b 5.17.1918, Oakland, IA, d 8.29.1932.

FBDEAPGg. Leona Edith Bentley, b 12.16.1919, Oakland, IA, m 12.28.1944, Ardeth Nasson Coleman.

FBDEAPGH. Harry Sherwood Bentley, son of John, b 11.27.1922, Oakland, IA, m 10.28.1945, Marjorie Marie Cheney.

FBDEAPH. Ansel Oakes Bentley, Samuel's son, b 8.2.1870, Crawford Co., PA, d 4.2.1917, m 9.11.1892, Maude Brittain.

FBDEAPI. Rodney Bentley, b 2.1.1873, d 1.25.1874, inf.

FBDEAPJ. William Arnold Bentley, b 7.5.1875, b Randolph Twp., Crawford Co., PA, d 7.1959, m 8.1903, Corrina Mays.

FBDEAq. Nancy Ann Bentley, b 4.25.1831, d before 1834.

FBDEAr. Marietta Bentley, b 9.28.1833, Ashtabula, OH, d 10.30.1916, m William Thompson, d 11.27.1895, Crawford Co., PA, bur Mt. Hope Cem, Randolph Twp., Crawford Co., PA.

FBDEB. William North(r)up Bentley, Caleb's son, b 7.9.1777, d 1849, Chicago, Cook Co., IL, m Rhoda Goodrich, d 7.16.1842, in her 66th y, New Lebanon Springs, Columbia Co., NY; 8 CH:

FBDEBA. William N. Bentley, son of William, m 10.17.1839, Jane A. Moore.

FBDEBb. Maria Louise Bentley, m Edwin E. Griggs.

FBDEBc. Rhoda Maria Bentley, m Alfred Bellamy.

FBDEBD. Cyrus Bentley, b 10.15.1819, New Lebanon, Columbia Co., NY, d 6.23.1888, m Anna Riley.

FBDEBe. Ancelia Bentley

FBDEBf. Nancy Bentley, m 1.20.1841, Charles Walker (Be398.).

FBDEBG. Frederick J. Bentley, b 6.22.1822, Columbia, NY, m 1.9.1843, Sarah Crandall.

FBDEBh. Mary A. Bentley.

FBDEC. Gideon Bentley, m Prudence Crandall; res (was): Lanesborough, Berkshire Co., MA, before 1813.

FBDED. John Bentley.

FBDEE. Cyrus Bentley, d 4.23.1814.

FBDEf. Deborah Bentley.

FBDEg. Anna Bentley, b between 1782 and 1790, m (----) Lewis.

FBDEH. Arnold Bentley, b ca 1792, m 10.25.1820, Lois Beach.

FBDEi. Polly Bentley, m (----) Reynolds.

FBDf. Anna Bentley, b ca 1746 (Be598.); m (----) Colgrove (Be599.); m James Colgrave (Be598.); m James Coldgrove of Exeter, Jan. 12, 1766 (Anna of South Kingstown), by Daniel Sunderland, Justice (Be594.); CH:

FBDfa. Susannah Coldgrove, "of James and Ann," b 9.4.1766, Exeter (Be594.).

FBDfb. Dorcas Coldgrove, b 3.27.1768, b Exeter (Be594.).

FBDfc. Sarah Coldgrove, b 1.28.1770, Exeter (Be594.).

FBDfD. Russell Coldgrove, b 4.2.1772, b Richmond (Be594.).

FBDG. William Bentley (Be599.), b ca 1747 (Be598.).

FBDH. John Bentley (Be599.), b ca 1748 (Be598.); CH:

FBDHA. Benjamin Bentley, Caleb's "Grandson" and "son of son John, deceased" (Be599.).

FBDi. Mary Bentley, b ca 1750 (Be598.); m anon. Tefft (Be599.); m anon. Tefft (Be598.).

FBDj. Penelope Bentley, b ca 1751 (Be598.); "Daughter Penelopy Shearman" (Be599.); m Eber Sherman (Be598.). In his letter of May 1978, Gamaliel Alden Beaman of East Princeton, MA, stated that he was a descendant of Penelope's but did not name his ancestors who were Penelope's descendants. This searcher supposes that Alden most likely is Penelope's third-great grandson.

In 1793, Penelope's brother Ezekiel (and his wife "Lettis") sold land in Exeter, RI, to "Eber Sherman Jr. of Exeter" (Be270.). Dr. Alden G. Beaman named Penelope's CH (supported by documentation) as: (A) Samuel Warner, (b) Susannah, (C) Robert Hazare, (d) Elizabeth, (E) Eber, (f) Penelope, and (G) Caleb Sherman (Be590.).

FBDk. Waite Bentley, b ca 1753, Exeter, m Stephen Peckham (Be598.); Caleb's "Daughter Waty Peckham" (Be599.).

FBDl. Sarah Bentley, b ca 1755, Exeter, m Frederich Chappall (Be598.); Caleb's "Daughter Sarah Chappoll" (Be599.).

Caleb Bentley (Be:FBD.) m **secondly** Tabitha Gould (Be598.); their eight CH (Be598.) or **Caleb's** eight CH (Be599.):

FBDM. Gould Bentley, b ca 1757, Exeter (Be598.); Caleb's "Son Gold" (Be599.); m Hannah (----); res (1792): East Town, Washington Co., NY, and identified as Caleb's son and as brother of Ezekiel (Be270.).

FBDN. Thomas Bentley (Be599.), b ca 1759 (Be598.), Exeter; Thomas, b 8.24.1750 (Be590.); m Abigail (----); res (1793): Argyle, Washington Co., NY, ident. as son of Caleb (deceased) and as Ezekiel's brother (Be270.).

FBDO. Ezekiel ("Ezekial") Bentley (Be599.), b ca 1761 (Be598.); m Lettis (----); son of Caleb of Exeter; res (1792-93): South Kingstown, RI (Be270.). Ezekiel m "Lettice" (see Be590., for desc.). Is this the "Lettice Austin,"

John's dtr, who m 7.27.1766, North Kingstown, anon. spouse (name obliterated on fire damaged record)? If "Lettis" is "Lettice," then either the marriage date or Ezekiel's hypothetical birth-date is in error. This searcher doubts that Zeke was man enough to marry at the age of 5 years. Beaman quotes M.L. Holman's notes (source?) (Be34., S G 27, Bundles 6 and 7) (Be590.) for Ezekial's m to "Lettice." Beaman also calculates Ezekiel's birth year as 1751 (and the same for Lettice) (Be590.).

FBDP. Ebenezer Bentley, b ca 1763 (Be598.); Caleb's "Son Nezer" (Be599.); m "Elydia" (or "Lydia"); sold Exeter land to Norman Bentley (Be270.).

FBDQ. Gideon Bentley, b ca 1765 (Be598.); Caleb's "son Gideon deceased" (Be599.); CH:

FBDQA. Benedict Bentley, Caleb's "Grandson Benedict Bentley, son of son Gideon deceased" (**Will** written 1.13.1790) (Be599.).

FBDR. Norman Bentley (Be599.), b Dec. 8., 1766 (Be598., Be590.).

FBDS. Arnold Bentley (Be599.), b ca 1768 (Be598.).

FBDt. Tabithy Bentley (Be599.); Tabitha Dorcas Bentley, b 5.1.1770 (Be598., Be590.), d 3.5.1859, m 9.10.1792, Isaac Tanner (Be598.).

FBE. Ezekial Bentley, son of William Bentley, Jr.

FBf. Tabitha Bentley, dtr of William Bentley, Jr.

FBg. Ruhama Bentley, dtr of William Bentley, Jr.

FBh. Mary Bentley, dtr of William Bentley, Jr.

FBI. William Bentley, son of William Bentley, Jr.

FBJ. Thomas Bentley, son of William Bentley, Jr.

FBK. James Bentley, son of William Bentley, Jr.

FBL. Greene Bentley, son of William, son of William.

Genealogical investigators Mrs. Cyril M. Edmunds and Alden Gamaliel Beaman (of East Princeton, MA), in the October 1978 issue of the **Rhode Island Genealogical Register** (Vol. 1) (of which Beaman is editor), co-authored the article entitled "A Line of Descent from William Bentley of Kingstown," pages 91-103 (Be590.).

In his correspondence with this searcher, A.G. Beaman has continually avoided identification of himself other than to write that he is a descendant of Caleb (3), William (2), William (1) Bentley. Therefore, this searcher and classifier has been unable to genealogically classify Bentley-descendant A.G. Beaman other than hypothetically as "cousin" **Be:FBD?????.** (uncertain even as to generation placement). Yet, Dr. Beaman has expressed his interest in publishing a review of this searcher's book, the review to be written in Beaman's hand.

This searcher's criticism of the article includes the authors' (1) apparent over-reliance on secondary sources of evidence, (2) failure to pinpoint primary sources of documentation (although the sources are grouped collectively for each generation), and (3) unwarranted inclusion of old hypotheses that have been disproved by current research.

Comments: 1. Regarding Jane Bentl(e)y **(Be:Fa.).** The previously unpublished death date of Jane (Bently) W(e)ightman was stated as **"29 June 1729;"** no specific source (primary or otherwise) was indicated.

2. Re: William Bentl(e)y, Jr. **(Be:FB.)**. William, Jr., m **secondly,** Aug. 1, 1734, Westerly (RI), Bathsheba Greene (her **second** m), dtr of George. She afterwards married **thirdly** 3.29.1761, North Kingstown (RI), John Bissell. William's twelfth CH and son of Bathsheba was named:

Greene Bentl(e)y (Be:FBL.), b 3.23.1741, Richmond (RI), who d 1820, Chenango Co., NY. Greene m "1760 Dinah Straight or Diana Green." "On 22 Sep 1766 Green Bentley and his family was given a certificate from Richmond to North Kingstown."

Sources include: Richmond TCP 1:434 Cert Green Bentley and 2:174 Basheba Bissel testified (Be590.).

Greene Bentley (Be:FBL.), son of William Bentley, Jr.

The following trace is based on information found in the genealogical compilation by Dr. Frank J. Titus entitled **Descendants of William Bentley, of Rhode Island,** completed ca 1907 **(Be36.).** This searcher believes that Dr. Titus was a Bentley descendant, possibly of Samuel Titus and Clarise Coryell, daughter of Sarah (4), Greene (3), William (2), William (1) Bentley. This searcher has **not** seen a copy of the "Titus Genealogy" . . . "111," referred to by Dr. Titus for a continuation of the enumeration of Bentley descendants who married Titus-spouses, undoubtedly including a line to himself. Also included in the following trace are the **identification numbers used by Titus** in his compilation of WILLIAM BENTLEY'S **DESC.**

The birth dates of Green(e) Bentley's children are unknown to this searcher, therefore the following sequence is **not** in correct birth order and the classification only tentative at best. Titus includes Eunice as one of the eight children whereas E. T. Bentley in his compilation does **not** include Eunice although he names the other seven children whom Titus has named. The reason why the name of Eunice should be included as a child in one compilation and **not** in the other is unknown to this searcher.

Greene Bentley (Be:FBL.) (2-12), "son of William Bentley and wife Bathsheba," b 3.23.1741, Richmond, RI Colony (Be23.,Be24.). Greene Bentley, b 1741, d 1823, Millport, NY, Revolutionary War Service, m 1760, Diana Strait, b 1737 (Be36.). This searcher has placed the names of Greene's children in a hypothetical sequence. At some future time the tentative classification shall have to be revised; the children's documented birth dates

(m, d, y) are desired. Titus names 8 CH and A.T. Jones names 9 CH for Greene Bentley. Titus, Jones, and this searcher have placed the names of the CH in the following tentative sequences:

This searcher		**Be36.** Titus		**Be28.** Jones	Greene Bentley's Offspring
(1) **FBLa.**	(below)	(1)	3-13	(4)	Eunice Bentley
(2) **FBLb.**	(below)	(3)	3-15	(1)	Hannah Bentley
(3) **FBLc.**	(below)	(7)	3-19	(7)	Sarah Bentley
(4) **FBLD.**	(below)	(6)	3-18	(5)	Benjamin Bentley
(5) **FBLe.**		(2)	3-14	(9)	Dianna Bentley
(6) **FBLf.**	(below)	(4)	3-16	(2)	Rhoda Bentley
(7) **FBLg.**		(5)	3-17	(6)	Elizabeth Bentley
(8) **FBLH.**		(8)	3-20	(3)	Greene Bentley, Jr.
(9) **FBLi.**		- - - - - - -		(8)	Phebe Bentley

FBLa. 3-13 **Eunice Bentley m Thaddeus Bennett,** Revolutionary War Patriot Soldier, b 1760, d 1834; **not** named in order of birth are their nine CH (in hypothetical sequence and only tentatively classified):

FBLaA. 4-12 Thaddeus Bennett

FBLab. 4-13 Mary Bennett

FBLac. 4-15 Rhoda Bennett

FBLad. 4-16 Betty Bennett

FBLae. 4-20 Sarah Bentley Bennett, b 1788.

FBLaF. 4-14 Benjamin Bentley Bennett, b 1791, d 1863, Soldier in the War of 1812 (see below).

FBLaG. 4-17 Joseph Bennett, b 1794, d 1868, Soldier in the War of 1812, lived in Scioto Co., OH, and in "Argentina, KY"(?) (Argillite, KY—?) (Greenup Co., KY—?).

FBLah. 4-18 Eunice Bennett, b 1796.

FBLaI. 4-19 Jehial Bennett

Benjamin Bentley Bennett (BeFBLaF.) (4-14), b 1791, d 1863, Soldier in the War of 1812, m Eleanor Battterson; res was Rush (?), IL; their 8 CH:

FBLaFa. 5-87 Christina Bennett, b 1813, d 1885, m 1835, (----) Trickey; res was Rush, IL.

FBLaFB. 5-86 Jasper Bennett, b 1817, d 1885, Warren **(Jo Daviess Co.?),** IL.[1]

FBLaFc. 5-90 Ellen Marilla Bennett, b 1818.

FBIaFD. 5-88 Jehial Bennett, b 1819, d 1892, m Mary Crane (see below).

FBIaFe. 5-89 Clara Bennett

FBIaFF. 5-91 Jefferson Bennett

FBIaFg. 5-92 Demeray Bennett

FBIaFH. 5-93 George Clinton Bennett, b 1833.

Jehiel Bennett (Be:FBLaFD.) (5-88), b 1819, d 1892, m 1844, Mary Crane; their 7 CH:

FBLaFDa. 6-220 Caroline Bennett.

FBLaFDB. 6-221 Benjamin Bentley Bennett b 1846 (see below).

FBLaFDC. 6-222 Martin Luther Bennett, b 1847.

FBLaFDD. 6-223 James S. Bennett, b and d 1850.

FBLaFDE. 6-224 Samuel L. Bennett b 1852 (see below).

FBLaFDF. 6-225 William Jefferson Bennett

FBLaFDG. 6-226 Charles Clinton Bennett

Benjamin Bentley Bennett (Be:FBLaFDB.) (6-221), b 1846, m Sarah Porter, b 1848; res was South Wayne, WI;[1] one CH:

FBLaFDBa. 7-338 Margaret (Maggie) Bennett, b 1870, m Walter S. Warren, b 1866; res (ca 1902): S. Wayne, WI (?); 2 CH:

FBLaFDBaa. 8-129 Dora L. Warren, b 1898.

FBLaFDBaB. 8-130 Robert L. Warren, b 1902.

Samuel L. Bennett (Be:FBLaFDE.) (6-224), b 1851/2, m 1872, Hattie Stephens, John's dtr, b 1856; res was Mecedah, WI (?); their 10 CH:

FBLaFDEa. 7-341 Ora Frances Bennett, b 1876.

FBLaFDEb. 7-342 Mary Alice Bennett, b 1878, res: Gratiot, WI (this must be Gratiot Co., MI) (?).

FBLaFDEC. 7-343 Al**bert** Clinton Bennett, b 1881.

FBLaFDED. 7-344 Newton Alexander Bennett, b 1884.

FBLaFDEe. 7-345 Cora Kay Bennett, b 1886.

FBLaFDEF. 7-346 Horace Theodore Bennett, b 1889.

FBLaFDEg. 7-347 Sarah Frances Bennett, b 1891.

FBLaFDEh. 7-348 Martha Ellen Bennett, b 1894.

FBLaFDEI. 7-349 Benjamin Harrison Bennett, b 1898.

FBLaFDEJ. 7-350 Frederick Samuel Bennett.

Mary Alice Bennett (Be:FBLaFDEb.) (7-342), b 1876, m 1897, John Bunnell; res (ca 1903): Gratiot, WI (Gratiot Co., MI—?); 4 CH:

[1]Warren, Jo Daviess Co., IL, is located just below the IL—WI border; South Wayne, Lafayette Co., WI, is located just above the IL—WI border, only a few miles from Warren, IL.

FBLaFDEba. 8-131 Vivian Viola Bunnell, b and d 1898.

FBLaFDEbB. 8-132 Albert Virgil Bunnell, b 1899.

FBLaFDEbC. 8-133 Theodore Bunnell, b 1901.

FBLaFDEbD. 8-134 Rollo LaVerne Bunnell, b 1903.

FBLb. Hannah Bentley (Greene's dtr) (3-15), b 1765, d 1836, Millport, NY, m Ephraim Bennett, Revolutionary War Soldier b 1762, d 1834; their 13 CH:

FBLbA. 4-21 Samuel Bennett, b 1781, d 1864, Montour Falls, NY.

FBLbB. 4-22 Thomas Strait Bennett, b 1783, d 1814, Montour Falls, Schuyler Co., NY.

FBLbc. 4-23 Susannah Bennett, b 1785, d 1813, Montour Falls, NY.

FBLbd. 4-24 Margaret Bennett, b 1787, Montour Falls, NY.

FBLbe. 4-25 Elizabeth Bennett, b 1789, d 1843, Montour Falls, NY. (**see below**).

FBLbf. 4-26 Polly Bennett, b 1791, d 1794.

FBLbG. 4-27 Asher Knox Bennett, b 1793, d 1865, Pittsburgh, PA.

FBLbh. 4-28 Sally Bennett, b 1795, d 1834, Millport, NY.

FBLbI. 4-29 Greene Bentley Bennett, b 1797, d 1879, Millport, NY.

FBLbj. 4-30 Millia Bennett, b 1801, d 1877, Millport, NY.

FBLbK. 4-31 Harry Bennett, b 1802; res was New Carlisle, IN.

FBLbL. 4-32 Brant Bennett, b 1805, d 1807.

FBLbM. 4-33 Charles Bennett, b 1807, d 1880. In 1848 he went with a large family from Owego, IL, to Springfield, MO.

Elizabeth Bennett (Be:FBLbe.) (4-25), b 1789, d 1843, m Thomas Mills, George's son, d 1855; res was Millport, NY; their 10 CH:

FBLbea. 5-76 Minerva Mills, b 1810.

FBLbeb. 5-77 Clarissa Mills, b 1812, d 1900.

FBLbeC. 5-78 George (first) Mills, d young.

FBLbed. 5-79 Melinda Mills, b 1816, d 1894, Montour Falls, NY.

FBLbeE. 5-80 Andrew Jackson Mills, b 1819, farmer; res was Santa Rosa, CA.

FBLbef. 5-81 Cynthia B. Mills, b 1822, m **first** Charles Eggleston, m secondly (----) Noble, m thirdly (----) Weeks; res was San Francisco, CA.

FBLbeG. 5-83 (----) Mills, unmarried, printer, b 1824; res was Marysville, CA.

FBLbeH. 5-82 Lafayette Mills, b 1827, d 1874; res was Leavenworth, KS.

FBLbeI. 5-84 George (second) Mills, cabinet maker; res was New York, NY.

FBLbej. 5-85 Jane Mills, d young.

Cynthia B. Mills **(Be:FBLbef.)** (5-81), b 1822, m **secondly** (----) Noble; res was Leavenworth, KS, and San Francisco, CA; her 4 CH:

FBLbefA. 6-202 Burr Noble, b 1839, m Helen V. Updyke; res was San Francisco, CA (**see below**).

FBLbefB. 6-203 Jay Noble, b 1844.

FBLbefC. 6-204 Penn Noble, b 1854, d 1859.

FBLbefd. 6-205 Maud Noble, b 1861, d 1862.

Burr Noble **(Be:FBLbefA.)** (6-202), civil engineer, b 1839, m 1862, Helen Louise Updike, Ira's dtr; res was San Francisco, CA; 5 CH:

FBLbefAA. 7-329 Claud Noble, b 1864, d 1866.

FBLbefAB. 7-330 Wynn Noble, b and d 1867.

FBLbefAc. 7-331 Pearl Noble, b 1868, m Edward Abramson; res was San Francisco, CA (**see below**).

FBLbefAd. 7-332 Helen Maude Noble, M.D., Ph.D., b 1872; res was San Francisco, CA.

FBLbefAE. 7-333 Paul Bliss (?) Noble, M.D., b 1877; res was San Francisco, CA.

Pearl Noble (FBLbefAc.) (7-331), b 1865, m Edward Abramson, glassworks; res (ca 1906): San Francisco, CA (res there was at the time of the tragic San Francisco earthquake and fire on April 18, 1906). Their 4 CH:

FBLbefAcA. 8-126 Wilhelm Abramson.

FBLbefAcB. 8-127 Michel Abramson.

FBLbefAcC. 8-128 Burton Avery Noble Abramson, b 1904.

FBLbefAcd. 8-129 Helen Elizabeth Abramson, b 1906.

FBLc. Sarah Bentley, Greene's dtr (Be:FBLc.) (3-19), m Daniel Coryell; their 8 CH:

FBLca. 4-44 Rebecca Coryell, m James Van Corder (legibility?).

FBLcB. 4-45 Michael B. Coryell, m Lydia Titus ("see Titus geneal . . . 111") (?).

FBLcC. 4-46 James Coryell, m Ellen Wolf; no CH.

FBLcD. 4-47 Hiram Coryell, m Amanda Colegrove.

FBLcE. 4-48 Daniel Coryell, m Eliza Wood.

FBLcf. 4-49 Jane Coryell, m first Horace Hungerford, m secondly Ephraim Lowe.

FBLcg. 4-50 Susan Coryell, m Henry Hungerford.

FBLch. 4-51 Clarise Coryell, m Samuel Titus ("see Titus Genealogy"). Are these two ancestors of the compiler Dr. Frank J. Titus? This searcher has failed to locate a copy of the "Titus Genealogy." Children (?):

FBLch?. (anon.) Titus.

FBLD. Benjamin Bentley, b 9.24.1772, son of Greene Bentley.

Green[1] or Greene[2] Bentley (Be:FBL.), son of William Bentley[1] [2] and grandson of WILLIAM BENTLEY, according to Green's grandson **Elisha Tucker Bentley** (Be195.)[3], was a tailor and a Revolutionary War Patriot. Elisha wrote that Green's father William was also a tailor and a large man with red hair who lived in East Greenwich, Rhode Island Colony. Elisha added that Green was a son of William's second wife Bathsheba Lewis[4] and the **twelfth** of William's thirteen children. Greene Bentley, son of William Bentley and his wife Bathsheba, was born 3.23.1741, Richmond, RI Colony.[2]

At the close of the Revolutionary War, in which Green Bentley served seven years, according to Elisha, the family lived in CT where the people were subjected to the "Blue Laws." Every male over the age of twenty-one was expected to go to meeting at the Church of England, the established church, on every other Sunday unless he had a reasonable excuse or pay the fine of five shillings. Elisha wrote, "My grandfather was a Baptist and he would not attend the established church nor pay a fine of five shillings. The authorities made it so hot for him in trying to collect the fines, that he finally concluded to leave the state. When he had his goods and family all loaded onto one wagon and (they) were ready to start, the officer came with his authority to collect the fines, but my grandfather on another horse with the old flintlock musket that Mel Prutsman now has, rode beside the wagon and defended his goods. They moved from Conn. to the town of Goshen, Orange Co., N.Y., lived there three or four years and then moved on West Branch and settled at the mouth of Muncy Creek below Williamsport.[5] After two years in consequence of some trouble about the title of the land, they left there

[1]Beaman, A. G., **Rhode Island Vital Records, New Series,** Vol. 4, "Washington Co. Births from Probate Records," Princeton (MA): Beaman, 1978, p. 29 (Richmond Probate Record 1.323, **Will** written 8.18.1748, proved at Newport, 6.11.1760; "William Bentley," his "wife Barsheba," his "son Green," **et al.**

[2]Arnold, J. N., **Vital Record of RI,** Vol. 5, "Richmond," p. 24 (2:278), "Bentley, Greene, of William and Bathsheba, born March 23, 1741," Richmond, RI Colony.

[3]**Be195.** The compilation of the data regarding the descendants of WILLIAM BENTLEY'S son William's son Green's son Benjamin was done by Benjamin's son **Elisha Tucker Bentley** in 1895 at Satsuma Heights, FL. Elisha was b 9.3.1821, Tioga Co., PA, and was bur in Ithaca, NY, where he died on 2.3.1898. The classification of his data was done by this searcher and is included here.

[4]Bathsheba Lewis was Widow Bathsheba (Greene) Lewis.

[5]The location of this area is undoubtedly in what is now Lycoming County, N. cen. PA, on W branch of Susquehanna River.

and moved to what is now Wellsburg, Chemung Co., N. Y. at the mouth of Bentley Creek."

E.T.B. wrote that Green Bentley d 1821 at Bentley's Creek, Chemung Co., NY, and that Green Bentley m Dinah Straight 1760 at East Greenwich, RI Colony; their 7 CH were named Dianah, Rhoda, Hannah, Elizabeth, Sarah, Benjamin, and Green. The **"fourth of their seven"** CH (according to Elisha) was:

Benjamin Bentley (Be:FBLD.), b 9.24.1772, Litchfield, Litchfield Co., CT, d 9.7.1854, Tioga Co., PA, bur in the Tioga Cemetery between the remains of his two wives. Benjamin's **first** wife was Mary Keeney, whom he m 2.11.1791, Wellsburg (Bentley Creek), Chemung Co., NY. Mary d 9.14.1815; she bore Benjamin seven children. Benjamin m **secondly** 4.1816, Springfield, Bradford Co., PA, Jane Ottarson, dtr of Joseph (native) of Londonderry, MA. Jane was b 11.28.1781, Windham Co., VT, d 1.18.1866, Tioga, PA.

Elisha wrote, "My father, Benjamin Bentley, in company with Elizah Zephry built and operated the first sawmill in Chemung County. It was on Bentley Creek; in the winter he worked at the Coopering business but did not work at that after he moved to Tioga.

"About 1800 my father piloted the first ark load of wheat that was run from Elmira to Northumberland on the Susquehanna. At that time and for some years after this was their only market and they brought their goods up the river in small boats, pushed them up by hand six men to a boat."

Jane's son Elisha T. Bentley wrote, "My father Benjamin Bentley by both marriages had fifteen children, five died young, ten grew to manhood and womanhood, and I only am left."

Elisha named ten[1] of his father Benjamin's fifteen CH:[2] (c.) Bathsheba, b 1797; (E.) Bethuel, b 1801; (G.) Jesse, b 1805; (H.) Green, b 1807; (i.) Mary Ann, b 1809; (j.) Mercy, b 1811; (L.) Benoni, b 1815; (M.) James, b 1817; (N.) Ephraim, b 1819; and (O.) Elisha T. Bentley, b 1821. The mother of the last three named CH was Benjamin's second wife Jane (Ottarson) Bentley. Of the twelve children born to Benjamin's first wife Mary Keeney, five are anonymous. Since neither their names nor sexes are known to this searcher, they are classified only tentatively. Benjamin's CH and their DESC (in hypothetical sequence of birth, in part):

FBLD?. (anon.) Bentley.

FBLD?. (anon.) Bentley.

FBLDc. Bathsheba Bentley[1,2,3] b 4.12.1797, Chemung Co., NY, d 2.17.1865, IL, m 12.12.1814, Tioga, PA, Ebenezer Bacon; their 12 CH:

[1]Titus (Be36.) is in agreement (4-34 through 4-43).

[2]Bentley, Elisha T. (Be195.), agrees to identity.

[3]Dingman, Justin L. (Be194.), agrees to identity.

(unknown and uncertain birth dates necessitate this tentative classification) (order given by Titus):[1,2]

FBLDcA. Elmore Bacon; "Elmer," b 1821 (Be36.).

FBLDcb. Mary Bacon, m (anon.) Bocker (legibility?) (Be36.). "Mary Bacon, b 1836, Tioga Co., PA, m Taylor S. Henry" (Be194.).

Note: Either "Mary" may have been mistaken for "Mercy" whose name follows.

FBLDcC. Horace Bacon (Be36.).

FBLDcd. Almira Bacon (Be36.); see "Elmira Bacon" compilation (below) received by this searcher from Justin Lee Dingman **(Be:FBLDcdfebBA.)** on July 24, 1978, and inserted here as relevant genealogical evidence from an identified living descendant (Be194.).

FBLDcE. Daniel Bacon (Be36.); "Daniel Bacon, b 1824, Tioga Co., PA; wife, Amy Brewer" (Be194.).

FBLDcF. Benjamin Bacon (Be36.).

FBLDcG. Horatio Bacon (Be36.).

FBLDch. Emeline Bacon (Be36.).

FBLDcI. Martin Bacon (Be36.); "Martin Bacon, b 1838, Tioga Co., PA; wife, unk." (Be194.).

FBLDcj. Mercy Bacon (Be36.); could this be "Mary Bacon, b 1836, Tioga Co., PA, wife of Taylor S. Henry" or *vice versa?* (Be194.).

FBLDck. Emily Bacon (Be36.).

FBLDcl. Mary Jeannette Bacon (Be36.); "Mary Janett Bacon, b 1844, Jennings Co., IN; unk. husband" (Be194.).

Almira Bacon (Be:FBLDcd.) is known as **Elmira Bacon** to her third-great grandson Justin Lee Dingman of 3719 North Huson, Tacoma, WA 98407 (res: 1978), **the corresponding cousin.** Justin has provided reference to the necessary documentary evidence proving his descent from Almira's mother **Bathsheba (Bentley) Bacon** *via* each of his ancestors who are her descendants.

Almira Bacon, b 10.7.1821, PA, d 11.30.1905, Portland, OR; DCRN:101, Portland, OR (Vital Statistics Section of the Oregon State Health Division), "Elmira Bacon Deputy."

Almira's ten CH (Be194.):

FBLDcdA. William Riley Deputy, b 8.8.1841, AR, d in childhood.

[1]Titus names 12 CH, specifying 1 spouse's surname, and 1 b date only; he names no DESC of any CH of Bathsheba's.

[2]Dingman names only 5 CH, specifying 3 spouses' names, 4 b dates, and selected DESC of "Elmira" Bacon.

FBLDcdb. Melissa M. Deputy, b 10.8.1843, AR, m --- Allen.

FBLDcdC. Alonzo G. Deputy, b 12.19.1845, twin, Jennings Co., IN, m Margaret Jones.

FBLDcdD. Addison H. Deputy, b 12.19.1845, twin, Jennings Co., IN, m Lucretia Downey.

FBLDcde. Amelia Quintina Deputy, b 9.17.1849, Jennings Co., IN, m John Neville.

FBLDcdf. Mary Elizabeth Deputy (see below), b 2.6.1852.

FBLDcdg. Martha C. Deputy, b 8.30.1854, Jennings Co., IN; unk. husband.

FBLDcdH. Ulysses O. Deputy, b 8.25.1857, Eagleville, MO; wife's name unk.

FBLDcdi. Luella C. Deputy, b 2.23.1860, Eagleville, MO, m Jessie Opdyke.

FBLDcdJ. Hazelton E. Deputy, b 2.8.1863, Eagleville, MO, m Anna Watson.

Mary Elizabeth Deputy (Be:FBLDcdf.), b 2.6.1852, Jennings Co., IN, d 12.24.1927, San Diego, CA; DCRN:2100-27-062303, Sacramento, CA (State of California, Department of Health, Office of the State Registrar of Vital Statistics, Vital Statistics Section), "Mary Elizabeth Deputy Patton Lea." She m **first** James Taylor Patton and m **secondly** John Samuel Lea.

Mary Elizabeth's six CH:

FBLDcdfa. Elsie Sylvia Patton, b 1.23.1870, m Woodruff Shepard.

FBLDcdfB. Clemence Armand Patton, b 2.14.1872, unm.

FBLDcdfc. Maude Arzella Patton, b 8.17.1874, m Elmer E. Buttermore.

FBLDcdfD. William Thomas Patton, b 4.12.1876; m **first** unk. and **secondly** Pearl Stevenson.

FBLDcdfe. Luella May Patton (see below), b 9.1.1878.

FBLDcdff. Bertha Taylor Patton, b 5.17.1880, KS, m Charles W. Baumbaugh.

Luella May Patton (Be:FBLDcdfe.), b 9.1.1878, KS, d 6.13.1947, Tacoma, WA; DCRN:637, Olympia, WA (State Bureau of Vital Statistics). "Luella May Patton Hawkman Davidson." She m **first** Frank Leighton Hawkman, **secondly** Lorenzo E. Bliven, and **thirdly** William H. Davidson.

Luella May's four CH:

FBLDcdfea. Gladys Irene Hawkman, d inf.

FBLDcdfeb. Edith Frances Hawkman (see below), b 5.21.1897.

FBLDcdfec. Edna Rosa Hawkman, b 3.5.1899, Mounds, Creek Co., OK, Terr.; m --- Cornell and m **secondly** Ned W. Mitchell.

FBLDcdfed. Elsa Hawkman, b 6.27.1903, OR, m Hugo Wanag.

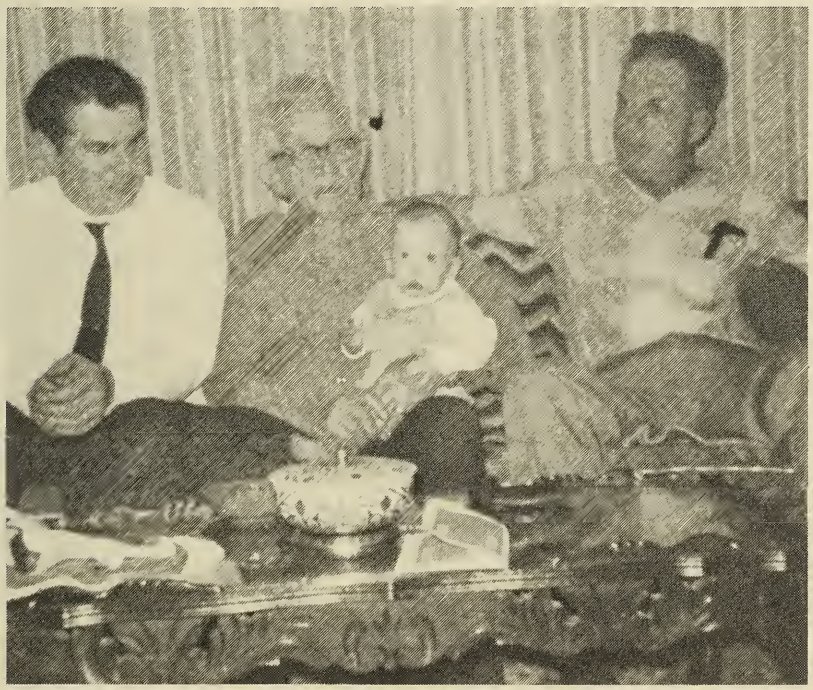
Edith Frances Hawkman (Be:FBLDcdfeb.), b 5.21.1897, Mounds, Oklahoma Territory (Indian Territory), d 4.17.1957, Lakeport, Lake Co., CA; DCRN:53-1700, Sacramento, CA (State of California, Department of Health, Office of the State Registrar of Vital Statistics, Vital Statistics Section), "Edith Frances Hawkman Dingman Wood." She m **first** Harvey Lesley Dingman and m **secondly** Howard Justin Wood.

Edith's two CH:

FBLDcdfeba. Frances Louise Dingman, b 4.30.1914, Marshfield (Coos Bay), OR; m **first** Roy Gerhard and **secondly** Lee Bradley.

FBLDcdfebB. Harvey Layton Dingman, b 6.9.1918, San Diego, CA; BCRN:649-1918, Sacramento, CA (State of California, Department of Health, Office of the State Registrar of Vital Statistics, Vital Statistics Section). Harvey m 4.25.1941, Tacoma, WA, Dolores Ruth Freiheit, b 10.26.1923, Tacoma, WA. Harvey's CH:

FBLDcdfebBA. Justin Lee Dingman, 12.6.1941, Tacoma, WA, Birth Certificate on file at the County-City Building, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Tacoma, WA. Justin is the **corresponding cousin** for the descendants of his



The Dingmans of Spokane, WA, May of 1969 (l to r):
Justin Lee Dingman, **Be:FBLCcdfebBA.;**
Harvey Lesley Dingman (husband of Edith Frances Hawkman, **Be:FBLDcdfeb.,** deceased);
Jack Layton Dingman, **Be:FBLDcdfebBAA.;**
and Harvey Layton Dingman, **Be:FBLDcdfebB.**

third-great grandmother Elmira (Bacon) Deputy, daughter of Bathsheba (Bentley) Bacon (Be194.). Justin answered a query by Marshall Kim Gardner **(Be:FaehFDH'FD.),** a descendant of WILLIAM BENTLEY'S daughter Jane. After Kim heard from this searcher, he sent a xeroxed copy of Justin's letter enabling this searcher to correspond with Justin. The query appeared in the **Genealogical Helper.**

Justin Lee Dingman m **first** 11.24.1962, Nancy Ruedene Bishop, Vincent's dtr (no issue); m **secondly** 2.12.1966, Cynthia Jo Massey, dtr of Jack Massey and wife Martha Marcel Ashley, and had one son Jack; m **thirdly** 4.15.1972, Marilyn Marie Domeyer, John's dtr (no issue); m **fourthly** 8.31.1974, Carolyn Whipple, Leon's dtr (no issue) (1978).

Justin Lee and Cynthia Jo (Massey) Dingman had one CH:

FBLDcdfebBAA. Jack Layton Dingman, b 7.10.1968, Tacoma, WA; BCRN:68-1962, Tacoma, WA (Bureau of Vital Statistics, County-City Bldg.).

Continuing with the offspring of Benjamin Bentley (Be:FBLD.) as compiled by Benjamin's son Elisha Tucker Bentley, we note also the insertions from the compilation of Titus (Be36.).

FBLD?. (anon.) Bentley, d young.

FBLDE. Bethuel Bentley (also 4-35, Be36.), Benjamin's son, **b 4.30.1801, Chemung Co., NY,** d 1.26.1877, Plainfield, WI, m 12.6.1821, Tioga, PA, Mary Lownsbury; their 3 CH:

FBLDEA. Wallace Bentley (Be195); Wallace (5-142), d 1903, Mansfield, Tioga Co., PA, m Sallie Searles (Be36.).

FBLDEb. Mary Bentley (Be195); Mary (5-141, 5-563), m John Job; res was Plainfield, WI; 2 CH (Be36.):

FBLDEba. Frances Ann Job

FBLDEbb. Martha Jane Job, d. ch.

FBLDEC. Isaac Bentley (Be195); Isaac d in Andersonville Prison ("Rosevl."), Sumter Co., GA (ca 55 mi SW of Macon). Andersonville Prison was a large Confederate military prison 1864—1865, where conditions were so bad that many Union soldiers died; a large national cemetery is located there. Isaac m Millie Hall; their 3 CH (Be36.):

FBLDECA. Thurston Bentley (6-1012).

FBLDECB. Aubrey Bentley ("s.") (6-1013).

FBLDECc. Florence Bentley (6-1014).

FBLD?. (anon.) Bentley, d young.

FBLDG. Jessee Bentley, Benjamin's son, b 10.15.1805, Chemung Co., NY, d 11.10.1857, Plainfield, WI, m 3.28.1827, Tioga, PA, Harriett Larison ("Harriet Larrison"—Be36.); their 12 CH:

FBLDGA. George Bentley; George (5-144), m Maria Young; res was Shantytown, WI (Be36.).

FBLDGb. Ruby Bentley; Ruby (5-145), m **first** Samuel Campbell, m **secondly** Samuel Westbrook, res was Plainfield, WI (Be36.).

FBLDGC. Samuel ("Y."—?) Bentley; Samuel (5-146), m Maria Prutsman; res was Stevens Point, WI (Be36).

FBLDGd. Ruth Bentley; Ruth (5-147), m Norman Kelly (Be36).

FBLDGE. Nathan Bentley, d inf.

FBLDGf. Mary Jane Bentley.

FBLDGG. Franklin Bentley, twin.

FBLDGh. Frances Bentley, twin; Frances (5-151), m Elijah Winslow; res was Plainfield, WI (Be36.).

FBLDGi. Sarah Bentley; Sarah (5-151), m B. B. Custin; res was Plainfield, WI (Be36.).

FBLDGk. Loretta Bentley; Loretta (5-154), m Ezra Drew; res was Plainfield, WI (Be36).

FBLDGL. John Bentley; John (5-154), d 1852, m Maggie Lawson; res was Plainfield, WI.

FBLDGM. Charles Bentley (5-155 1/8; **not** included in Be195), d inf (Be36.).

FBLDH. Green Bentley ("Greene," Be36.), Benjamin's son, b 1.26.1807, Tioga, PA, d 10.5.1884, Plainfield, Waushara Co., WI, m **first** 5.7.1828, Tioga, PA, Mary Ette Couch ("Harietta Couch"—Be36.); m **secondly** 2.11.1844, Rachel Bush. Green had a total of 11 CH in both marriages. Green and Mary had these 7 CH: Eliza, Mariah, Deborah, Benjamin, Dauphin, Daphne, and Bethuel Bentley; the known information:

FBLDHa. Eliza Bentley; Eliza (5-156, 5-560), m Alfred Sealy; res was Jackson, PA; 4 CH (Be36.):

FBLDHaa. Mahala Sealy (6-996), m (anon.) Updyke.

FBLDHaB. Benjamin Sealy (6-996 1/8, Be36.).

FBLDHac. Mariette Sealy (6-996 1/4, Be36.), twin.

FBLDHad. Sarahette Sealy (6-996 1/2, Be36.), twin.

FBLDHb. Mariah Bentley; Mariah (5-157), "weighed over 300 pounds," res was Stevens Point, Portage Co., WI (Be36.).

Note: This searcher is pleased to learn that a relative has been found weighing over 300 pounds—this searcher just went over this mark in July of 1978; however, in this searcher's opinion, Bentley-hereditary predisposition must be ruled out as the explanation.

FBLDHc. Deborah Bentley, d young.

FBLDHD. Benjamin Bentley.

FBLDHE. Dauphin Bentley, twin.

FBLDHf. Daphne Bentley, twin.

FBLDHG. Bethuel Bentley.

By his **second** wife Rachel, Green had these 4 CH:

FBLDHH. Albert Bentley.

FBLDHi. Ellen Bentley.

FBLDHJ. Farren Bentley.

FBLDHk. Mary Ann Bentley, Green(e)'s dtr.

FBLDi. Mary Ann Bentley, Benjamin's dtr, b 3.6.1809, Tioga, PA, d 11.11.1891, Tioga, Tioga County, PA, m 11.25.1830, Tioga, to Andrew Prutsman (Be195.); Andrew, Jacob's son, b 1807, d 1890 (Be36); their 6 CH: Martha Jane, Christian, Mary, Harland, Henrietta, and Melville; their known DESC:

FBLDia. Martha Jane Prutsman; Martha (5-168), b 1831, d 1898, m Robert Brown, d 1860, res was Canisteo, Steuben Co., NY; CH (Be36.):

FBLDiaA. Edward Bruce Brown (6-1006).

FBLDiB. Christian Prutsman; Christian Miller Prutsman (5-167, 5-560), b 1833, res Lexington, Dawson Co., NE. Christian was in the Civil War, Lt. He m 1872, Sarah Horton, dtr of Elias; their 3 CH (Be36.):

FBLDiBa. Myra Knox Prutsman (6-997), b 1873, d 1877.

FBLDiBb. Jennie Prutsman (6-998), b 1875, teacher, res was Elmira, Chemung Co., NY.

FBLDiBc. Angeline Prutsman, b 1877, teacher; res was Lawrenceville, PA (6-998 1/2, Be36.).

FBLDic. Mary Prutsman; Mary Adelia Prutsman (5-169), b 1836, m Edwin Spaulding, b 1802, d 1903; res was Corning, NY; no CH.

FBLDiD. Harland Prutsman; Kimley Harland Prutsman (5-171), b 1838, d 1863, unmarried, d in the Civil War, Lt. (Be36.).

FBLDie. Henrietta Prutsman; Henrietta Mary Prutsman, (5-170), b 1842, m John Patterson, William's son; res was Jersey Shore, Lycoming Co., PA; 2 CH (Be36.):

FBLDiea. Edith Harland Patterson (6-999), b 1868, m Edward Albee, res was Kingston, Ulster Co., NY.

FBLDieB. Robert Melville Patterson (6-1000), b 1871, m Mary E. Gouldy, b 1871, West Philadelphia, PA.

FBLDiF. Melville Prutsman; Melville Bentley Prutsman (6-1000), Railroad Engineer, b 1849, m Harriet Louise Dobbs, Isaac's dtr, b 1854; res was Williamsport, Lycoming Co., PA; their 5 CH (Be36.):

FBLDiFa. Mary Annie Prutsman (6-1001), b 1874; res was Williamsport, Lycoming Co., PA.

FBLDiFB. Harland Bentley Prutsman, Railroad Clerk, b 1879, m Mary C. Muir, b 1879; res was Williamsport, PA. (6-1002).

FBLDiFc. Rose Maria Prutsman (6-1003), b 1880, m B. Landon; res was Elmira, NY.

FBLDiFd. Ruby Alina Prutsman (6-1004), b 1884; res was Williamsport, PA

FBLDiFE. Robert Eden Prutsman (6-1005), res was Williamsport, PA (Be36.).

FBLDj. Mercy Bentley, Benjamin's dtr, b 4.23.1811, Tioga, PA, d 12.23.1844, Shelby, McComb Co., MI, m 5.8.1832, Tioga, Samuel Youngman; 2 CH:

FBLDjA. John Youngman

FBLDjb. Mary Ann Youngman; Mary (5-174), b 1834, d 1855, m (anon.) Churchill; no CH (Be36.).

FBLD?. (anon.) Bentley

FBLDL. Benoni Bentley, Benjamin's son, b 9.14.1815, Tioga, Tioga Co., PA, d 8.1.1853, Plainfield, Waushara Co., WI, m 11.22.1838, Tioga, Frances Coleman; 4 CH:

FBLDLa. Melinda Bentley; Melinda (5-565, 5-175) m (anon.) Hill; CH (Be36.):

FBLDLaA. Roba Hill (6-1015), attorney (Be36.).

FBLDLb. Marion Bentley

FBLDLc. Seneca Bentley

FBLDLD. Elisha T. Bentley

FBLDM. James Bentley, Benjamin's son, b 2.4.1817, Tioga, Tioga Co., PA, d 10.7.1842, Vandalia, Fayette Co., IL.

FBLDN. Ephraim B. Bentley, Benjamin's son, b 3.24.1819, Tioga, d 5.2.1844, Tioga, Tioga Co., PA.

FBLDO. Elisha Tucker Bentley (also reported by Titus 4-43, Be 36.), Benjamin's son, b 9.3.**1821,** Tioga, PA, d 2.3.**1898, Ithaca, NY,** m 2.11.1845, Almira Edsel Mitchell, b 6.28.1829, Tioga, PA, dtr of Thomas. Almira d 9.23.1897, Ithaca, NY. **Elisha compiled the data** he had collected while conducting genealogical research on his branch of Bentleys in the form of a manuscript entitled "A Line of Descent from William Bentley, Jr." in

November of 1895, Satsuma Heights, FL (Be195.). A copy of the manuscript is located in the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library, Boston, MA.

Elisha T. Bentley held the office of Associate Judge for Tioga Co. for six years. He was a clerk of the Tioga Baptist Church for 25 years — a deacon for 20 years and clerk of the Tioga Baptist Association for 11 years. He was supervisor of the Township, School Director, Auditor, Collector, and Poor Master. Elisha and Almira had six CH: (1) Ephraim, (2) Fanny, (3) Ella, (4) Flora, (5) Solon, and (6) Winfield Scott Bentley; their DESC:

FBLDOA. Ephraim James Bentley, b 7.12.1847, d 2.1.1924, Ithaca, NY, m 2.19.1889, Ithaca, NY, to Anna Monroe. Ephraim named his summer cottage on Cayuga Lake "Mullingar" the "Oughterson" (believed to have been the original spelling of "Ottarson") home County in Ireland.

FBLDOb. Fanny Alice Bentley, b 6.13.1849, Tioga, PA, d 5.2.1924, Ithaca, NY, m 11.28.1867, Tioga, to John T. Moore, b 1840; their three CH:

FBLDObA. Lee Bentley Moore, b 9.18.1868, Tioga, PA.

FBLDObB. Max LaBarre Moore (6-291, Be36.) ("M. LaBarr Moore" —Be195.); b 9.10.1870, Tioga, PA (Be195); Max m 1900, Martha Jones; 2 CH (Be36.):

FBLDObBA. Leroy Bentley Moore (7-380), b 1903 twin.

FBLDObBB. Lee Winfield Moore (7-381), b 1903, twin (Be36.).

FBLDObc. Mary Elizabeth Moore, b 11.2.1872, Tioga, Tioga Co., PA, m 6.25.1896, Ithaca, NY, Elmer A. Denton, b 3.16.1869, Forestport, Oneida Co., NY; CH (others later?):

FBLDObca. Elsie Mildren Denton, b 8.14.1899, Ithaca, NY.

FBLDOc. Ella Dorcas Bentley, b 3.15.1851, Tioga, d 11.19.1892, Holyoke, MA, m 4.16.1879, Tioga, PA, to Adamson Judson Merrick, b 4.12.1847, Tolland, CT; their three CH:

FBLDOcA. Frank Bentley Merrick, b 1.15.1882, Holyoke, Hampden Co., MA.

FBLDOcb. Myra Evilene Merrick, b 10.21.1883, Holyoke, Hampden Co., MA.

FBLDOcc. Anna Gertrude Merrick, b 6.23.1888, Holyoke, Hampden Co., MA.

FBLDOd. Flora Elma Bentley, b 6.4.1853, Tioga, PA, d 10.30.1909, Ithaca, NY, m 4.16.1879, Tioga, Frank R. Mix; 2 CH:

FBLDOdA. Raymond Bentley Mix, b and d 1880 (6-296, Be36. only).

FBLDOdB. David Cameron Mix (6-297) ("David C. Mix"—Be195.), b 1882, was graduated from Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, in 1905

("Elec. . ."); res (ca 1906): Three Rivers, St. Joseph Co., MI (24 mi S of Kalamazoo) (Be36.).

FBLDOdc. Fanny Elma Mix (6-298) ("Elma Mix"—Be195.), b 1884; res (ca 1906): Ithaca, Tompkins Co., NY (Be36.).

FBLDOE. Solon M. Bentley, b 12.11.1855, d 11.14.1933, Newfield, Tompkins Co., NY, m 10.15.1877, Newfield, Tompkins Co., NY, Florence Blakesly.

FBLDOF. Winfield Scott Bentley, b 5.10.1861, Tioga, Tioga Co., PA, d 2.14.1909, Satsuma, FL (Be195.).

FBLe. Dianna Bentley, Greene's dtr (Be36.).

FBLf. Rhoda Bentley, Greene's dtr (Be36.), b Litchfield, CT, d 1.2.1837, m Jacob Teeples (Be28., Be23., Be20., Be442.); Rhoda ("Horrid") Bentley, b 1.2.1774, Litchfield, CT, d 1837, Oakland, MI, dtr of Green and Diannah (Strait) Bentley, m 1790, probably in Washington Twp, Northumberland Co., PA, Jacob Teeples, b 5.12.1763, Tewksbury Twp, Hunterdon Co., NJ, d 1831 (?), Oakland, MI, son of George Teeple and Margaret Shipman (Be441.). Rhoda's parents' res was in PA; Rhoda and Jacob left PA for NY (Be444.). Their ten CH were:

FBLfa. Catherine Teeples, b ca 1794, Elmira, Chemung Co., NY.

FBLfb. Ocey Teeples, b ca 1796, Elmira, Chemung Co., NY.

FBLfC. Jacob Teeples, Jr., b 4.7.1799, lived in Dansville, NY.

FBLfD. George Bentley Teeples, b 3.17.1803, Dansville, Livingston Co., NY (see below).

FBLfe. Nancy Ann Teeples, b 4.18.1805, Leichester, Genesee Co., NY.

FBLfF. Henry Luke Teeples, b 2.22.1807, Gates, Rochester, Monroe Co., NY.

FBLfg. Mary Teeples, b ca 1809, Gates, Rochester, Monroe Co., NY.

FBLfh. Roxy Teeples, b ca 1811, Gates, Rochester, Monroe Co., NY.

FBLfi. Rhoda Teeples, b ca 1812, Gates, Rochester, Monroe Co., NY.

FBLfj. Alvira Teeples, b ca 11.11.1814, Gates, Rochester, Monroe Co., NY.

FBLfD. George Bentley Teeples, Jacob's son (Be20., Be23., Be441., Be442.).

The following information is taken from the secondary source known as the Family Group Record in possession of George's great-grandson Lloyd A. Larson (Be442.). George Bentley Teeples was the fourth-born child of Jacob Teeples and Rhoda Bentley **(Be:FBLf.)** (Be441.). He was born on 3.17.1803, at Dansville, Livingston Co., NY. George d on 9.18.1884, at Holden, Millard Co., UT. He was married **first to Hulda Clarinda Colby and secondly to Johanna Case Worden**, dtr of Amos, who was the widow of Elisha Keyes, by

whom **she** had seven CH. Elisha died from injuries received when he was gored by an ox while crossing the plains (according to Johanna's ggd Rachel Teeples Tenneg). **For the four CH by George's second m, see further on.**

By his first wife Hulda Clarinda Colby, Abner's dtr, b 6.4.1812, Holland, Erie Co., NY, d 6.10.1881, Holden, Millard Co., UT, **George Bentley Teeples** had these ten CH (Be442., ggs L.A. Larson has photos of CH in record):

FBLfDa. Harriet Elvira Teeples, b 10.15.1830, Pontiac, Oakland Co., MI.

FBLfDB. Abner Seeley Teeples, b 3.1.1832, Pontiac, Oakland Co., MI.

FBLfDC. William Randolph Teeples, b 6.7.1834, Pontiac, Oakland Co., MI.

FBLfDD. Sidney Rigdon Teeples, b 2.10.1837, Farwest, Caldwell Co., MO, d 1.30.1902, Holden, Millard Co., UT, m 10.27.1861, Goshen, Utah Co., UT, Nicholous Patterson Gourley, Paul's dtr, b 12.6.1844, Cornbrue, Old Corrae Parish, Scotland. Nicholous d 10.9.1938, Holden, Millard Co., UT. See below the brief biographies of Sidney and Nicholous narrated by Nicholous. She described the hazardous conditions of her trek across the plains from a place located in what is now Omaha, Nebraska, to Salt Lake City, Utah. The names of their ten CH follow the story.

FBLfDe. Cynthia Rhoda Teeples, b 9.11.1841, Nauvoo, Hancock Co., IL.

FBLfDF. Henry Alanson Teeples, b 11.8.1843, Nauvoo, Hancock Co., IL.

FBLfDg. Eunice Clarinda Teeples, b 9.27.1847, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE.

FBLfDh. Hulda Henrietta Teeples, b 3.1.1852, Provo, Utah Co., UT.

FBLfDI. George Bentley Teeples, Jr., b 5.24.1854, Provo, Utah Co., UT.

FBLfDj. Louisa Teeples, b 10.6.1856, Fort Supply, WY.

At one of the Teeples-family reunions, Josie Kramer submitted an account written ca 1933 by Milton Hunter as told by Nicholous P. (Gourley) Teeples to her dtr Mrs. John (Margaret Teeples) Hunter **(Be:FBLfDDb.)**, Milton's mother. The following excerpt is taken from a copy of the account in the possession of Lloyd A. Larson **(Be:FBLfDDeb.)**, a grandson of Nicholous.

> Sidney Rigdon Teeples was born in Farwest, Missouri, February 10, 1837. He was the son of George Bentley Teeples and Hulda Colby. He was just one year old when his family was driven from Missouri by 'the mob.' In the spring of 1839, they moved to Nauvoo, Illinois. His father George Bentley Teeples and Mr. Larsen Colby were running Joseph Smith's farm at Nauvoo when the Prophet and Hyrum were killed at Carthage Jail.[1] Mr. Larsen Colby was a

[1]Joseph Smith, b 1805, d 1844, founder and first prophet of the Mormon Church, and his brother Hyrum Smith were imprisoned and assassinated in Carthage, Hancock Co., IL.

brother-in-law to George Teeples. He was called into service of the Mormon Battalion by President Young in 1846.[1]

George B. Teeples and family came across the plains in 1848. Shortly after arriving in Salt Lake, they moved to Provo. In 1853, while they were living at Provo, the Walker War broke out. There, Sidney was just a boy of sixteen, yet he was called into service along with the men to help defend their loved ones from the Indians.

In 1856, The Teeples family moved to Fort Supply. While living at Fort Supply, Sidney drove one of the wagons to the handcart company and took food to his future wife (incident related further on). The Teeples family moved by the Weber River near Ogden, Utah.

In 1860, Sidney came to Goshen to visit his brother William Teeples. He stayed there about a year; then, as love and time weaves its web, Nicholous Gourley became his wife. They were married October 27, 1861, by Bishop William Price at Lower Goshen. Nicholous' father still lived at Sand Town. A year after Sidney and Nicholous were married, they moved to Mona. They remained at Goshen nearly four years, then moved to Holden. Their two oldest children, Henry and Margaret, were born at Goshen. When they moved to Mona, there were only eight families living there.

Mr. Teeples and Mr. Lime Carter and families built their houses about one mile north of the small settlement, due to the danger of Indian attacks. Some people thought it was a dangerous thing for them to do. They did have a few experiences with the Indians, one of which I shall relate.

One morning about daylight Sidney and Nicholous were awakened by the chatter of Indians' voices out to the side of their house. Sidney went out to see what they wanted. There, he met seven large Indians with three poles, and on the top of each hung a scalp. The Indians had killed the stage driver and two passengers on the drive between Lehi and Camp Floyd. The Indian appearing to be the leader or chief of the Indians spoke in English and said to Sidney, 'You no scared. Get food. And darn quick. We hungry.'

Sidney told them that his wife was a good cook and would fix them food as quickly as she could. After the Indians had been fed, they went toward Nephi. Then, they moved into Goshen. When Black Hawk War broke out, Sidney Teeples was called into service in August 1866. Captain Nuttall led the company. They went down into Sanpete and Sevier Counties where most of the fighting took place.

About the middle of January, Sidney's wife took ill. The doctors had given her up, so they sent three men from Goshen to find Sidney. They found the soldiers camped between Annabell and Richfield. Arriving at night after dark at camp, they found and informed Sidney of the critical condition of his wife. Sidney immediately threw a saddle on his horse and prepared to make haste to

[1] Brigham Young, b 1801, d 1877, Mormon leader.

Goshen. Captain Nuttal wanted to send several men with him because it was almost certain death to travel alone for a fast night's drive. History does not record many such rides. Dark clumps of bushes and heavy foliage were charged through as though in madness. He was afraid he would not arrive in time to see his wife alive. The kind hand of the Lord guided him through that night without harm coming to him. He reached Goshen before daylight. His house was in darkness, all the people having gone to bed. A feeling of despair came over him when he saw everything in darkness. One thought uppermost in his mind that kept running through his mind was, 'She must be dead.' Upon his arrival, to his great joy, he found Nicholous had become a little eased in pain and the family had retired to get some rest. A few hours after arriving at Goshen, the horse that had carried him upon his long night's ride died.

Three weeks after this incident, February 8, a baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Teeples. They named her Margaret Huldah.

In the spring of 1866, William Teeples and one of his younger brothers, Henry Teeples, moved to Holden. Sidney Teeples decided to move to Holden also; but after leaving the army in the fall of 1867, he became badly afflicted with rheumatism. The only way he could get around was on crutches. William and his mother came to Goshen to move Sidney to Holden in October 1867. William drove one wagon hauling their worldly goods, and Nicholous drove the other and held an eight-month-old baby on her lap. They had three and four cows which were driven by their old dog 'Curly.'

After arriving in Holden, Sidney busied himself by building a home for himself and family. He purchased some logs from William Teeples and then decided to build his house about a block north of the fort.

Up to this time, the town hadn't been surveyed. Sidney helped survey it that winter and built the second house on the surveyed site across the street and south of Sidney's house. While Sidney was building his house, Nicholous stayed in Deseret. There were three houses outside of the fort before the townsite was surveyed. William Teeples built a log house just three blocks from the fort. Ira Nixon now owns the lot, and the house still stands there. Other rooms have been built onto the house, and an addition has been made to the front and south side of the room. Grandma Nixon had a house one-half block east of the fort. The house still stands. Its last owner was J. Ray Stringham. At the present time, George Jenson lives in the house built by Sidney Teeples.

Mrs. Sidney R. (Nicholous Gourley) Teeples continued her narration as follows.

Nicholous Gourley was born in Cornbrue, Scotland, December 6, 1844. She was the daughter of Paul and Margaret Gourley. When she was a child of eight years, her mother died, leaving her father Paul with five small children to care for. Two years passed by, then

her father married Ellison Jaap. They remained in Scotland two more years. Brother Gourley had been a resident of a branch of the Church at Holsten for thirteen years. Being a good faithful Church worker, when the call came he immediately busied himself making preparations to come to Zion. They crossed the ocean on the little ship "Thornton." Traveling was slow in those days, and seven weeks passed by while they were being tossed about on the ocean before reaching New Orleans. For one week of this time their ship was lost. They had at this time many experiences and lessons which taught them to put their trust in God.

Their schooling was good for the many hardships ahead of them. Arriving in New Orleans, the little ship made its way up the Mississippi River to the little town of Florence, which at the present time is a part of Omaha, Nebraska. Here Brigham Young had established a town or a station to receive the Saints as they came abroad, and there help them to make the necessary preparations for the dreadful trip which awaited them to cross the plains to Salt Lake City. Immigrants were arriving at Florence faster than wagons and teams could be secured. Furthermore. most of the Saints were poor, then making it hard to find means to equip themselves with oxen, wagons, etc., in order that they might make the journey. Thus, the transportation of the Saints from Florence to Salt Lake became a big problem to the Church leaders, but they had at their head a master mind, a Prophet of the True and living God. He devised a plan whereby the Saints could walk across the plains bringing only a few pounds of the necessities of life along with them in handcarts to be pulled or pushed by them over a thousand miles of roadless prairie. Only seventeen pounds of luggage was allowed per person, and this was disappointing, for many has brought personal belongings over the sea which had to be discarded when the journey was continued.

At Florence, Paul Gourley was called by the authorities of the Church as missionary to remain and build handcarts. He arrived at Florence in the early spring, but readily subjected himself to the call of the authority, thus he remained at Florence until August, building handcarts.

It was not until August that two handcart companies left the Missouri River and hastened on to reach their destination in Salt Lake City, before winter set in. James G. Willie and Edward Martin were in charge of these companies. Most of the members of these companies started their journey with handcarts at Iowa City. The journey from Iowa City to Florence was very pleasant. The roads were good, game plentiful, and grass was high for the few cattle that they had along with them.

Traveling with the Willie and Martin companies were two wagon companies, one under William Hodgett and the other under Captain Hunt.

At Florence, two companies stopped to repair their carts and get new ones and to obtain supplies. This took several days. None of the

companies left together. Captain Willie and Martin companies were close. One started on August 17, and the other a few days later(;) wagons left September 1.

Most of **the Gourley family** were in the Martin company. The family consisted of nine members. Paul had five children from Margaret, his first wife. The children's names and ages when they crossed the plains were Robert (20 years), Alexander (18 years), **Nicholous (12 years)**, Janet (8 years), and George (7 years). Paul's second wife, Elison, also had two children — Margaret, a baby of nine months when they left Scotland, and Paul who was three years old when they left Scotland. Margaret died and was buried while crossing the plains at Scottsbluff, Nebraska. Paul died the next March after arriving at Salt Lake City.

The family had two handcarts. One to carry all their earthly belongings and the other to carry Elison and her two small children. Due to his wife's illness, Brother Gourley was obliged to pull his wife and her two small children in one cart the complete distance across the plains.

The two older boys Robert and Alexander drove teams for Captain Hodgett, so that left Nicholous and Janet to pull the other handcart for a thousand miles over the Great American Desert, through mud, snow and snow-storms, and freezing weather. Imagine two small children eight and twelve years bringing all the family's earthly belongings to Utah under those perverse conditions. Little George had to toddle behind and help push whenever he could. A thousand miles on foot is almost beyond our imagination, for such little tots. But those little children not only walked the complete distance, but toiled with all their strength to bring the handcart and their earthly supplies along.

. . . Untold hardships were given and passed through by these sturdy brave souls which were endured for their God and their religion. In the mornings the men in the company would take turns building fires. When they crossed the Sweet Water, one of the men who waded the stream refused to dry his clothes that night. The next morning it was his turn to build the fire. Brother Gourley tried to awaken him, but got no response. The man was frozen to death in bed. Another unexpected thing which they had to encounter and which caused them some grief was a herd of buffalo. It ran through the train of handcarts, breaking a good many of them. Indians were fed by them several times, even in the face of great scarcity and starvation in their own camp.

By the time the company arrived at Fort Laramie, their supply of food was getting very short.

Brother Gourley sold his watch and some other trinkets for a little corn and a few loaves of bread. About two weeks after leaving Laramie, they were put on rations. They were given only three ounces of flour for each grown person. Out of this meager amount

they had to divide it out among their children. A few days later their diet consisted of a little water gravy. When the company left Florence, they had along with them three wagons to haul extra provisions. When an ox would die, they would eat it, hide and all. Each one of the oxen died before they reached Salt Lake City and was eaten by the starving people. Many times the people would get so tired they would lay under brush to die. The leaders of the companies often had to use whips to make them rise to their feet again and continue their journey. Several were dying each night. One night sixteen died and were buried in one grave. The sufferers were actually known to sit on dead bodies to keep warm, until the bodies became cold. The first snow fell when they crossed Sweet Water. When they arrived at Devil's Gate they had no food at all for three or four days before help arrived. They arrived at Devil's Gate December 1. The weather was extremely cold. Unfortunately an early winter set in — a winter similar to the one that had overtaken the Donner Party in the Sierra Nevada Mountains just ten years before. I imagine a winter similar to the one that we are having out here this winter. Nobody knows these Wyoming breezes and cold weather until finally they feel them.

A company of men under Franklin D. Richards passed the immigrants on the road, and hastened on to Salt Lake to report to Governor Young the conditions of the immigrants. Brigham Young called for volunteers to go with wagons and supplies to rescue the suffering companies. Contributions were made by the people and were soon gathered together.

Twenty teams were experienced men left with provisions immediately. Almost from the time they left Salt Lake, the rescue party encountered stormy weather so their progression was slow. When they arrived at the Green River, Joseph A. Young, Lot Smith, Angus Wheelack were sent ahead to meet the handcart companies and to let them know that relief was near at hand. The three men who came ahead on horses brought a few crackers in their jackets. The children were down in a wash eating bark off willows, when the men on horses appeared over the hill. The children were frightened and began to run to camp thinking the horsemen were Indians. The horsemen informed the starving companies that two wagons would be there the next morning. Due to the snow, however, they didn't arrive for another day and a half. These two wagons from the Fort Supply came, and several teams arrived from Salt Lake. All those too weak to walk were put in the wagons, and the company was taken on to Salt Lake. They arrived in the Salt Lake Valley December 7, 1856. The actual loss of lives was about 150 souls out of about 500 who left Florence with the company.

One of the drivers of the two wagons that came from Fort Supply was Sidney Teeples, a young man nineteen years old. Five years later he married Nicholous Gourley, the little girl who was eating bark off the willows, one and one-half days before the arrival of the teams. They had no idea that the young man who helped bring supplies to

save them would be her future husband. Such an idea never entered his head. Years passed by before he knew that she was one of the children of that company, and likewise she did not know that he was one of the teamsters.

After arriving in Salt Lake, they took little George's stockings off and one of his toes stayed in the stocking. His feet were badly frozen. He (Paul Gourley) earned a meager existence for his family that winter by chopping wood for the people of Salt Lake. Being a good carpenter, he worked upon the Salt Lake Temple the next spring.

. . . (In) the summer of 1857, after arriving in Salt Lake, Paul Gourley and family moved to Lehi where they remained two or three months. In the fall they moved down to the present site of Eureka in company with Mr. Taylor and family. Here they lived in two dugouts in the side of the mountain for two months. A company of soldiers were camped a little west of them on McIntyre's Springs. Mr. Gourley and Mr. Taylor were carpenters by trade. The soldiers had a number of broken wagons, wagon wheels, which they hired Mr. Gourley and Mr. Taylor to repair. Just before Christmas, Mr. Gourley and Mr. Taylor with their families moved over the mountain to Goshen. At this time Goshen consisted of a small fort with only a few families in it. Mr. Gourley became one of the founders of that town. He remained there the rest of his life. The first winter after arriving at Goshen, Paul and his family lived in the fort, with an old bachelor. The next spring the town site had been surveyed about three miles from the fort.

The fort was called Fort Goshen. This new town was called Sand Town. Brother Gourley and the other people of the fort moved to Sand Town in the spring and built their houses. Here it was that Paul Gourley built the first house that he ever owned in his life. It was half-dugout and half-adobe house.

A few years later the people moved their town again about three miles to the northwest of Sand Town. They called this Lower Goshen. They were not satisfied with this location so desired to move again. President Brigham Young came down to pick them out a town site and settle them down from moving about so much. All the people got in their wagons and followed Brigham Young while he located a site. He finally decided on a site about three miles back to the east. It was up east farther than the first fort which they had occupied. The people asked Brigham Young what they should call this town. He said, 'Call it New Town.' Thus it went by that name of New Town for some time, but its name was finally changed to Goshen.

When Brigham Young picked out this town site, he said, 'This is the place for your town. Now stay here and stop moving around so much.'

While spending time and speaking to the people at this time, he made a very clever illustration out of Goshen. He said that the town had been roaming around so much that every time their chickens

saw a covered wagon they would lay on their backs and stick their feet in the air waiting for them to be tied.

For two contrasting presentations of early Mormon history, please see references Be481 and Be482.

Identified and classified as Bentley-family descendants are these ten children of Sidney Teeples (Be:FBLfDD.) and Nicholous Patterson Gourley, Paul's dtr (Be445.):

FBLfDDA. Henry George Teeples, b 1.16.1864, Goshen, Utah Co., UT, d 7.1.1879, ae. 15 y.

FBLfDDb. Margaret Hulda Teeples, b 2.8.1867, Goshen, Utah Co., UT.

FBLfDDC. Sidney Paul Teeples, b 9.27.1869, Holden, Millard Co., UT, d 8.6.1952, m 12.13.1893, Hettie Melissa Stevens.

FBLfDDd. Janet Nicholous Teeples, b 4.29.1872, Holden, Millard Co., UT.

FBLfDDe. Ellison Gourley Teeples, b 8.18.1874, Holden, Millard Co., UT; d 12.16.1926, Highland Park, Los Angeles Co., CA (bur. in Glendale). She was m 8.29.1895, Manti, Sanpete Co., UT, to John Anthon Larson, b 8.8.1872, Gunnison, Sanpete Co., UT, who d 9.28.1944, Los Angeles, Los Angeles Co., CA (bur. in Glendale). John was the son of John and Anna (Erickson) Larson. **They had six CH (see below)** (Be446.).

FBLfDDf. Catherine Elizabeth Teeples, b 6.10.1877, Holden, Millard Co., UT.

FBLfDDg. Heneritia Jane Teeples, b 4.19.1880, Holden, Millard Co., UT.

FBLfDDh. Cynthia Maude Teeples, b 8.7.1882, Holden, Millard Co., UT.

FBLfDDi. Luella Francis Teeples, b 2.3.1886, Holden, Millard Co., UT.

FBLfDDj. Josie Alice Teeples, b 5.10.1888, Holden, Millard Co., UT.

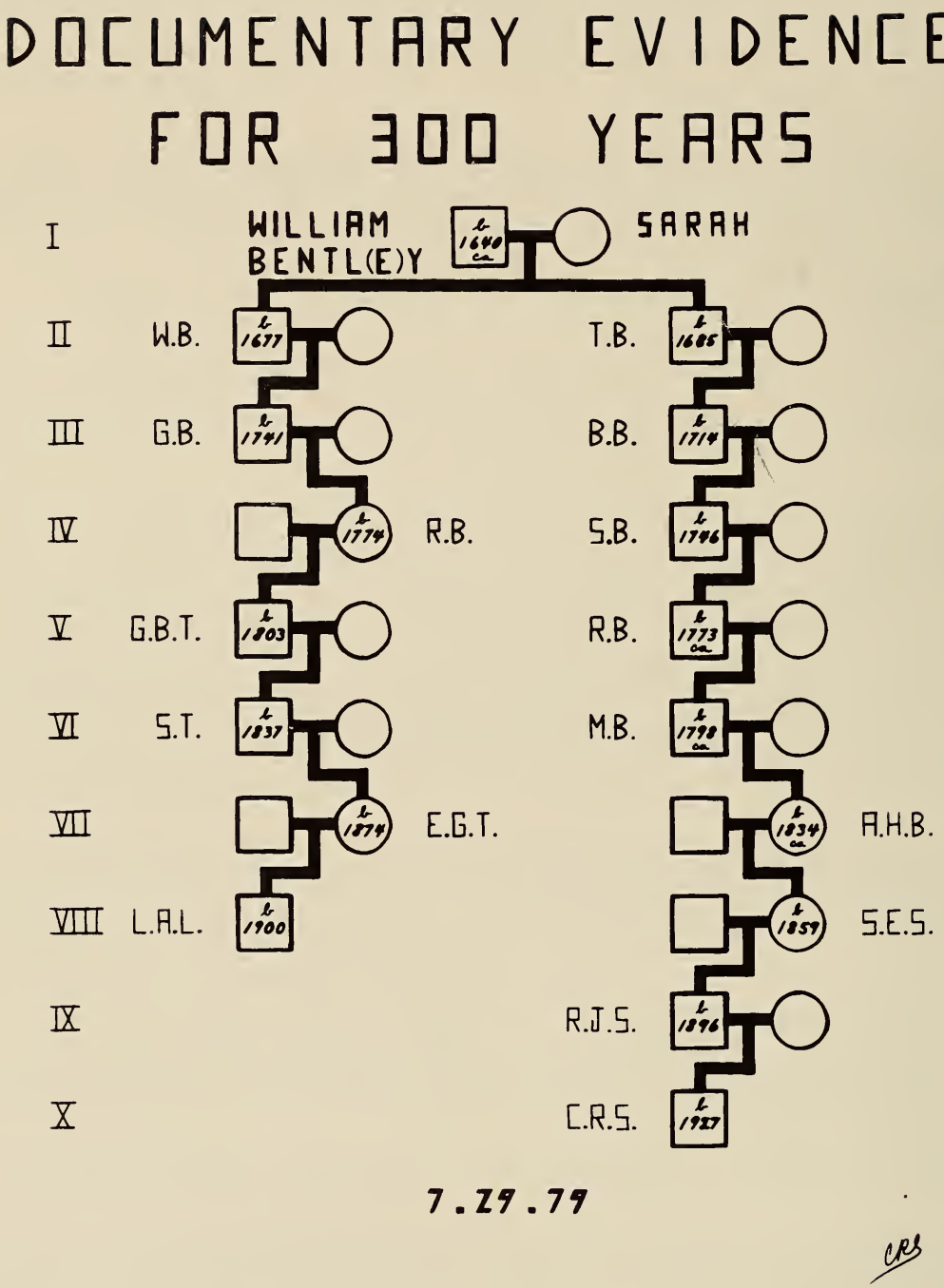
The six CH of Ellison Gourley Teeples (Be:FBLfDDe.) and John Anthon Larson are (Be446.):

FBLfDDea. Ladorna Ellison Larson, b 7.18.1897, Holden, Millard Co., UT.

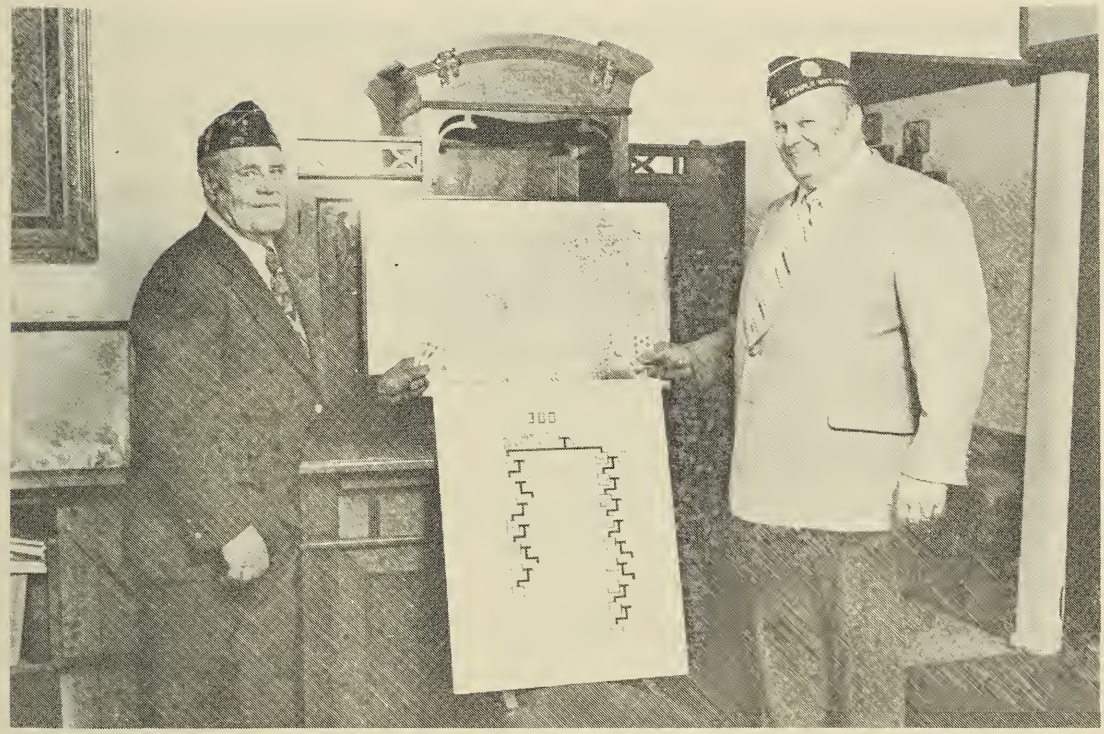
FBLfDDeB. Lloyd Anthony Larson, b 6.28.1900, Pikesdiggings (Fay), Lincoln Co., NV, m 10.10.1922, Heber, Wasatch Co., UT, Dora Isabelle Hicken, b 6.24.1901, Heber, Wasatch Co., UT, dtr of David William Hicken and Catherine Campbell Murdock. They have four CH (see below) (Be446., Be447., Be448.).

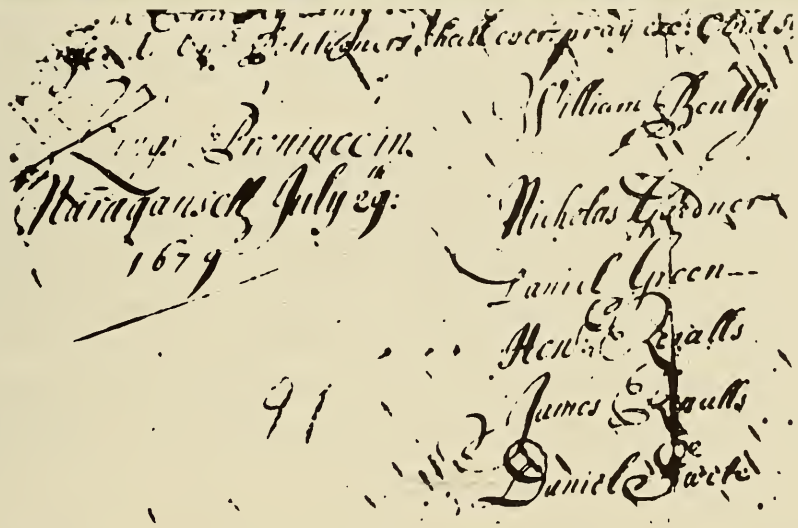
FBLfDDec. Maude Nichalous Larson, b 8.18.1901, Holden, Millard Co., UT (Be446.).

FBLfDDed. Levaughn Lillian Linda Larson, b 7.30.1903, Gunnison, Sanpete Co., UT (Be446.).



The chart above represents the genealogical relationship between progenitor WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y of Narragansett (N. Kingstown, Rhode Island, New England) and two of his many descendants, Lloyd and Cameron.





Legionnaire comrades, after playing poker together for many years, drew two Royal Flushes in the same hand. After the Wednesday night meeting on June 6, 1979, casual remarks at the poker table led to a startling discover. "Swede" Larson is a descendant of Progenitor WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y'S son William and "Cam" Stewart is a descentant of Progenitor WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y'S son Thomas. These newly discovered cousins on July 29, 1979, celebrated the tercentenary anniversary of the second-oldest document, dated July 29, 1679, bearing the name of their mutual forefather WILLIAM BENTLY in Narragansett. On the Petition to King Charles II of Great Britain, forty-two names of Narragansett inhabitants appeared. The document was likely written by Richard Smith, Jr. Holding an English photocopy of the two-page document are Cousins Lloyd Anthony Larson **(Be:FBLfDDeB.)** and Cameron R. Stewart **(Be:FDDDABecEA.).**

FBLfDDee. Jessie Anna Larson, b 10.18.1905, Gunnison, Sanpete Co., UT (Be446.).

FBLfDDef. Ruth Margert **Karen** Larson (legally adopted her first name as "Karen"), b 2.25.1909, Gunnison, Sanpete Co., UT (Be446.).

Lloyd Anthony Larson (Be:FBLfDDeB.) and his charming wife Dora Isabelle Hicken live in a beautifully landscaped home located at 6354 North Willard Avenue, San Gabriel, CA (1979). The backyard is spacious enough to allow Lloyd several areas to raise a large variety of vegetables and fruit. His swimming pool, usually filled with neighbors and friends during the summertime, is a welcome retreat in hot weather.

During his visit, this searcher was led into Lloyd's study or den. Adorning the shelves were some very interesting mementos. In one glass case pre-Columbian artifacts and idols collected during his travels were on display alongside Lloyd's own sculpture of human heads. On other shelves were bowling and motorcycle trophies.

Lloyd was in partnership with another man for many years owning and operating the Harbor Sea Food Co., Los Angeles, CA. After his partner died, Lloyd became sole owner. Later, because of ill health, Lloyd was compelled to leave his business. His doctor's prognosis gave him just one year to live. Lloyd decided to reverse that dire prediction by changing his life style. He became an avid motorcyclist; he enjoyed the competitive sport and became a champion garnering over 100 trophies.

Lloyd held the honor of being a California State Motorcycle Champion in hill climbing, an honor he had held in three separate years of competition. To this day (in 1979), he keeps two competition-type motorcycles in readiness with an eye pointed towards potential competitors. He was over 50 years old when he became a motorcyclist years ago. This visitor wondered how in the world he managed to stay on one of those things in his rides over the rough terrain, to say nothing about his winning first-place trophies and, in one instance, being the only one to finish the course. When asked what single criterion could be attributed to his almost immediate success in motorcycle competition, Lloyd replied, "Equilibrium."

After organizing the first bowling team to enter league play for the Temple City Post of the American Legion, Lloyd "buddied up" with another "red-hot" bowler to win the American Legion District "Doubles" Championship.

Over the years, Lloyd and this searcher have enjoyed many poker games at the American Legion Clubhouse after the regular meetings. Undoubtedly the most memorable occasion for both of them occurred during the game played on the night of June 6, 1979. During the usual casual-conversation between hands, the subject of genealogy was "kicked around" briefly. Lloyd mentioned that he was a descendant of the Teeples family. This searcher asked him, "You're not descended from a 'George Teeples,' are you?"

"Yes, as a matter of fact, I believe I am," he replied.

Checking further, this poker player turned genealogist asked, "Do you have any Bentleys in your tree?"

"Yes, I think there was a Bentley who married a Teeples," he contemplated.

" 'Swede,' " this startled searcher and friend of his for many years, while trying in vain to keep a poker face, reflected, "if what you say is true, then you and I are **cousins**—descendants along two different lines of the Rhode Island Bentley Progenitor, WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y **(Be:F.)**! You would have to be a descendant of his son William, Jr., b 1677, and I a descendant of his son Thomas, b 1685. What an amazing discovery—and a timely one too!"

Later, investigation revealed: (1) Lloyd was a sixth cousin, two times removed (in the same generation as this searcher's grandmother); (2) Lloyd was aware only of his descent from Rhoda Bentley, not knowing anything of her Bentley ancestry; and (3), although the name of his second-cousin (half) "Alvera Teeples Jones" appeared as the "family representative" on his grandfather Sidney Teeples' "Family Group Sheet," Lloyd was unaware of Alvera's relationship to him.

Although by now "Rhode Island Bentl(e)y" descendants are ubiquitous throughout California, the odds of two of them not even bearing the "Bentley" name ever discovering across the poker table their mutual American-colonial ancestor of 300 years ago are about the same as each of them drawing a Royal Flush in the same poker game! Amazing too was the proximity of this discovery to the tercentenary date of the making of the petition of July 29, 1679, sent to King Charles II by the forty-two Narragansett inhabitants whose names appear thereon including that of "William Bently" (the second-oldest public document identifying him with this part of Rhode Island). See the photograph. Perhaps more poker players should "take up genealogy" or maybe more genealogists should try their luck at poker.

Lloyd A. Larson **(Be:FBLfDDeB.)** and his wife Dora of San Gabriel, CA, have these four CH: **(a)** LaDorna, **(B)** Lloyd, **(c)** Linda, and **(D)** Delbert Larson. Their DESC (Be448.):

FBLfDDeBa. LaDorna Ellison Larson, b 9.12.1923, Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., UT, m **first** Robert Heath Perine, b 11.30.1922, m **secondly** Robert Eichenberg, b 10.12.1922. A former art teacher, she operates Ellison Enterprises, Newport Beach, CA. By her first husband, she had three CH: **(a)** Jorli, **(b)** Lisa, and **(c)** Terri Anna Perine. Their DESC:

FBLfDDeBaa. Jorli Perine, b 3.12.1938, Pasadena, CA, m David Robinson; CH:

FBLfDDeBaaA. Damon Robinson, b 3.23.1977, Newport Beach, CA.

FBLfDDeBab. Lisa Perine, b 8.18.1949, Pasadena, CA, m Gregory Highberg; 2 CH:

FBLfDDeBaba. Kristen Highberg, b 10.1.1970, Laguna Beach, CA.

FBLfDDeBabB. Erin Gregory Highberg, b 12.26.1975, Laguna Beach, CA.

FBLfDDeBac. Terri Ann Perine, b 8.8.1952, Pasadena, CA, d 5.30.1973, Provo, UT.

FBLfDDeBB. Lloyd Anthony (Tony) Larson, b 6.21.1929, Los Angeles, CA, m 12.19.1956, Marilyn Ashton, b 9.14.1936. Tony, a former developer of hospitals, is now a developer of elaborate miniature-golf-courses. Their res (1979): 1580 Elizabeth St., Redlands, CA (92373). They have seven CH:

FBLfDDeBBA. William Ty Larson, b 9.25.1957, Waco, TX.

FBLfDDeBBB. Wayne Ashton Larson, b 6.3.1959, Waco, TX.

FBLfDDeBBC. Todd Anthony Larson, b 7.21.1961, Santa Ana, CA.

FBLfDDeBBD. Scott Lloyd Larson, b 7.6.1965, Hollywood, CA.

FBLfDDeBBe. Sharilyn Larson, b 9.24.1967, Redlands, CA.

FBLfDDeBBF. Marc Reed Larson, b 6.15.1973, Redlands, CA.

FBLfDDeBBg. Sara Larson, b 5.12.1978, Redlands, CA.

FBLfDDeBc. Linda Ann Larson, b 8.28.1935, Monterey Park, Los Angeles Co., CA, m 12.27.1958, Dr. Darvil David McBride, D.D.S., b 1.8.1935; res (1979): 2379 Vincentia St., Corona, CA (91720). They adopted a child (sealed in the Temple) (LDS),

(1) Deborah Annette McBride, b 4.1.1955, m Robert Renfeldt; 3 CH:

(1') Trina Renfeldt, b 4.29.1976, Fontana, CA.

(2') Nadine Casee Renfeldt, b 6.20.1977, Fontana, CA.

(3') Kari Renee Renfeldt, b 4.21.1979, Fontana, CA.

FBLfDDeBcA. Darvil Anthone McBride, b 2.11.1960, Pasadena, CA.

FBLfDDeBcB. Michael Jon McBride, b 1.27.1962, Pasadena, CA.

FBLfDDeBcc. Rachael Lee McBride, b 12.5.1963, Pasadena, CA.

FBLfDDeBcD. David Paul McBride, b 12.2.1964, Pasadena, CA.

FBLfDDeBcE. Jonah Steven McBride, b 9.5.1969, Riverside, CA.

FBLfDDeBcF. Joshua Jared McBride, b 6.5.1973, Riverside, CA.

FBLfDDeBcg. Jolinda McBride, b 11.4.1976, Riverside, CA.

FBLfDDeBD. Delbert LaClead (changed to "LaClede") Larson, b 2.13.1941, Monterey Park, CA, policeman in the L.A.P.D., m Vicki Lee Heard, b 2.24.1945. Their res (1979): 1531 Lolina Lane, Cypress, CA (90630). Their 3 CH:

FBLfDDeBDA. Jeffrey LaClead Larson, b 12.19.1967, Covina, CA.

FBLfDDeBDB. Travis Lee Larson, b 8.31.1969, Covina, CA.

FBLfDDeBDc. Chandra Lynn Larson, b 6.19.1973, Long Beach, CA.

By his second wife Johanna Case Worden, George Bentley Teeples, who was a polygamist when polygamy was legal, had four CH, the youngest of his fourteen CH in his first two marriages (Be441.). **George Bentley Teeples (Be:FBLfD.)**, farmer, b 2.17.1822, Antwerp, NY, d 5.5.1902, m **secondly** 2.20.1856, Provo, UT, Johanna Case Worden; their four CH (Be452.):

FBLfDk. Rhoda Elvira Teeples, b 9.23.1857, Fort Supply, WY, d 1.8.1889 (Be452.).

FBLfDL. Jacob Amos Teeples, see below, b 2.5.1860, Ogden, UT, d 11.11.1937, South Gate, Los Angeles Co., CA, m 9.24.1882, Sarah Elizabeth Bennett, David's dtr, b 10.6.1865, Bloomington, ID, d 2.14.1906, Goshen, ID (Be451., Be452.).

FBLfDm. Antionette Teeples (twin), b 9.27.1862, Ogden, UT, d inf. (Be452.).

FBLfDn. Marietta Teeples (twin), b 9.27.1862, Ogden, UT; d inf. (Be452.).

Jacob Amos Teeples (Be:FBLfDL.), farmer and contractor, was m twice. By his **first** wife Sarah Elizabeth Bennett, he had nine CH (Be451.), and by his second wife Elsie Jerusha, he had seven CH (?). **By his first wife Sarah E. Bennett,** his nine CH were (Be444., Be449., Be451.): **(a)** Lydia, **(b)** Sarah, **(C) John, (d)** Anna, **(e)** Mary, **(f)** Isabelle, **(G)** Jacob, **(h)** Lela and **(I)** Sidney.

FBLfDLa. Lydia Jane Teeples, b 6.11.1883, Holden, UT (Be451.).

FBLfDLb. Sarah Lewella Teeples, b 4.7.1885, Menan, UT (Be451.).

FBLfDLC. John Henry Teeples, either b 8.15.1887 (likely the correct date) (Be450., Be451.) or b 8.15.1890 (Be449.). See below.

FBLfDLd. Anna Laura Teeples, b 6.15.1889 (Be451.).

FBLfDLe. Mary Joanna Teeples, b 3.5.1891 (Be451.).

FBLfDLf. Isabelle Henrietta Teeples, b 11.23.1892 (Be451.).

FBLfDlG. Jacob Teeples, Jr., b 8.25/26.1895 (Be451.).

FBLfDLh. Lela Myrtle Teeples, b 6.24.1898, Goshen, ID (Be451.).

FBLfDLI. Sidney Roosevelt Teeples, b 12.7.1901, ninth of nine CH of Jacob Amos Teeples and Jacob's **first** wife Sarah Elizabeth Bennett (Be451.).

John Henry Teeples (Be:FBLfDLC.), b 8.15.1887(?), Manan, ID (Be450.), d 8.27.1949, Idaho Falls, ID (bur. Goshen, Utah Co., UT), m 1.3.1913, Logan, UT, Reena Luella Blade, John's dtr, b 1.20.1890, St. Charles, ID, d 12.24.1942, Prescott, AZ (bur. Goshen, UT). Reena bore John nine CH, only two of whom survived infancy. These two surviving CH are (1979) **Rachel** and **Alvera**. The nine offspring include: **(A) Rachel, (b)** anon. dtr, **(c) Alvera,** (d) Sarah, **(e)** Berniece, **(F)** anon. son, **(g)** anon. dtr, **(h)** Bertha, and **(i)** Sarah Teeples.

FBLfDLCa. Rachel Luella Teeples, b 10.10.1913, Firth, ID, m 4.10.1939, Nathan **Boyd** Tenney, Arizona State Senator. Their res (1979): Senator Hwy,

Prescott, AZ (86301) (602-445-4099). The names of their children are not given here. When this searcher telephoned her on 7.5.1979, Rachel was preparing for the "Family Reunion" to be held there on the following day (Be449.).

FBLfDLCb. anon. (dtr) Teeples, stillborn 9.25.1915 (Be450.).

FBLfDLCc. Alvera Josephine Teeples, either b 7.17.1917, ID (Be444.) or b 7.17.1916 (Be449., Be450.), m 12.27.1941, Leslie William Jones, Jr.; res (1979): 2170 Logan Ave., Salt Lake City, UT (84108) (Be450.). **Alvera Teeples,** family representative, searcher and researcher since she was a teenager, compiler of many "Family Group Records" and "Archive Records" for members of the Teeples and Bentl(e)y families (including many collateral lines as well as her own), has certainly made a notable contribution to American genealogy in her lifetime.

On two of the "Archive Record" sheets obtained by this searcher in the summer of 1967 in the old Genealogical Society Library in Salt Lake City, Alvera had identified herself as the "3 gg dau" of Greene Bentley (Be23.) and the "gg dau" of George Bentley Teeples (on another).

During a telephone conversation with Alvera on 7.5.1979, this searcher disclosed to her the newly discovered documents regarding the earliest known generations of the Rhode Island Bentleys and the origin of Progenitor WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y of Kingstown (RI) in Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England, and his relationship to the famous author of **Pilgrim's Progress**, John Bunyan of Elstow, Bedfordshire, grandson of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y'S grandfather William Bentl(e)y. Alvera expressed her wishes to learn more regarding this "new information." This searcher sent to her on the same day duplicates of the Rhode Island Historical Society paper (Be111.) and WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y'S Last Will and Testament (Be201.). Other details regarding the Bedfordshire Bentleys and Bunyans followed soon after.

Alvera related in the course of the telephone conversation that her **third** CH is a Californian:

FBLfDLCcc. Nadine Jones, wife of anon. Fletcher; res (1979): 2127 Minon Way, Placentia, CA. Nadine is the mother of four (Be444.).

The other six of the nine CH of John Henry Teeples (Be:FBLfDLC.) and his **first** wife Reena L. Blade died in infancy (Be450.):

FBLfDLCd. Sarah Virginia Teeples, b 1.6.1919 (Be450.).

FBLfDLCe. Berniece Teeples, b 11.23.1920 (Be450.).

FBLfDLCF. anon. (son) Teeples, stillborn 5.2.1922 (Be450.).

FBLfDLCg. anon. (dtr) Teeples, stillborn 7.18.1923 (Be450.).

FBLfDLCh. Bertha Teeples, b 11.23.1925 (Be450.).

FBLfDLCi. Sarah Teeples, b 2.17.1927 (Be450.).

Note: This concludes the trace of selected descendants of **Rhoda Bentley (Be:FBLf.) and her husband Jacob Teeples.**

FBLg. Elizabeth Bentley, Greene Bentl(e)y's dtr (Be36.).

FBLH. Greene Bentley (Jr.), son of Greene (Be36.).

FBLi. Phebe Bentley, dtr of Greene (?) (**not** included as a dtr of Greene by compiler Titus) (**not** in Be36.). "Phebe" is a name supplied by compiler Alvera (Teeples) Jones (named above as descendant of Greene's) on an "Archive Record" (family group) sheet along with the names of eight other CH (named above as CH of Greene in agreement with Titus, Be36.). This searcher believes the name "Phebe" should be included here, at least tentatively. Alvera drew heavily from the compilation by Titus ("FFH 96" or Be32.). Without pinpointing the errors, Alvera mentioned that a number of errors are in the Titus ms (1979).

FBM. Benjamin Bentley, son and youngest child (?) of William Bentley, Jr.

Be:

Line III. James, Be:FC.

FC. James Bentl(e)y, WILLIAM'S son (Be111., 201.).

James Bentley m Dorothy Albro, dtr of Samuel and Isabel (Lawton) Albro (Be206.). Dorothy's grandparents were John Albro and widow Dorothy (----) Potter and George and Elizabeth (Hazard) Lawton (Be113.). Their CH:

FCa. Hannah Bentley, b 3.25.1703 (Be206.) (Be112.) (Be35.) (Be113.).

In 1949, Emilie Sarter commented as follows on **James Bentl(e)y (Be:FC.),** b May 26, 1679, son of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y of Kingstown, Colony of RI (Be111.) (the **verbatim** quotation from **Be35.**, pages 23-4). E. Sarter's preliminary remark (p. 22) was that WILLIAM'S children, including James, were born probably in that part of the King's Towne, King's Province, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, that is now in the eastern part of the township of Exeter, Washington County, State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations.

ii **James (2) Bentley,** born approximately within two years after the birth of his elder brother, William **(2)**. He married before December 28, 1710, date of her grandfather's will, at Kingstown, Dorothy Albro, daughter of Samuel **(2)** and Isabel (Lawton) Albro, and granddaughter of John **(1)** Albro, a Quaker, who died in Kingstown, December 14, 1712, aged 95.

Dorothy died about 1716 or earlier for in 1717 or 1718, James **(2)** Bentley married Hannah whose surname has not been found. Children: by (1) a daughter, born Kingstown, March 25, 1702/3. She may have been Jane Bentley who in 1726 married in North Kingstown which was the northern part of Kingstown after the division of February 26, 1722/3 into North and South Kingstown. Her husband was Clement **(3)** Reynolds (Joseph **(2)**, James (1)).

By his second wife, Hannah, James **(2)** Bentley had a daughter, Hannah, born in Kingstown, December 15, 1718. She (was) married at Exeter, King's Province, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, July 15, 1753, **as his second wife,** Robert **(3)** Reynolds, son of Joseph **(2)** and his second wife, Mercy (..?..) Reynolds.

James N. Arnold in his "Vital Record of Rhode Island" for Washington County, North Kingstown, gives:

'James (Bentley) had children, names and dates burnt off.' He also gives:
'Hannah of James & Dorothy, born March 25, 1702/3 . . . . (dau.)' 'Hannah, born December 15, 1718.'

This is obviously an error for Hannah (Bentley) Reynolds gave birth to four children which would have been physiologically impossible had she been born in 1703." **(Be35.).**

Line IV. Thomas, Be:FD.

FD. THOMAS BENTL(E)Y, WILLIAM'S SON (Be111., 201.), b June 19, 1685, "Son of William" (Be111.); m **first** June 6 (1706), Kingstowne, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, "ELIZABETH CHAMBERLAND" (Be32.F.). In his father's **WILL** (Be201.), THOMAS is named as WILLIAM'S son. THOMAS was a "cordwainer" (1718/19) (Be260.) (a worker in Cordovan leather; espec., a shoemaker).

In 1949, Emilie Sarter commented as follows on **THOMAS BENTL(E)Y (Be:FD.) (IX.97.),** who was b June 19, 1685, son of **WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y** of Kingstown, Colony of RI (Be111.) (the **verbatim** quotation follows from **Be35.**, pages 24-6). E. Sarter's preliminary remark (p. 22) was that WILLIAM'S children, including THOMAS, were born probably in that part of the King's Towne, King's Province, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, that is now in the eastern part of the township of Exeter, Washington County, State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations.

iii **Thomas (2) Bentley,** born **about** 1684; died, Exeter in 1778. Exeter was that part of Kingstown which became first in 1723 North Kingstown and in 1743, Exeter. In June 1729, the King's Province was changed to Kings County.

Thomas **(2)** Bentley married in Kingstown, January 6, 1706 or June 6, 1708, Elizabeth Chamberlain; or, as it is spelled in the original record: Chamberland. There is some ground for believing that the marriage actually took place on the same date as that of Jane **(2)** Bentley to John **(2)** Wightman on January 6, 1700 or June 6, 1706. This confusion is due to the doubts of the compiler of this pedigree that Arnold correctly deciphered the damaged records at Wickford which were not verified by the compiler.

Elizabeth Chamberlain was **perhaps** the daughter of Jacob and Mary (Child) Chamberlain of Newport. She died about 1718 and Thomas **(2)** Bentley married (2) **(secondly)**, in North Kingstown on May 20, 172-, Mary **(3)** Reynolds, born in the 1690s, daughter of Joseph **(2)** and his wife, Mary (..?...) Reynolds, and sister of Clement **(3)** Reynolds who married Jane **(3)** Bentley, **probable** daughter of James **(2)** and Dorothy **(3)** (Albro) Bentley.

Thomas **(2)** Bentley made his will on the 'fifteenth Day of June in the Twelfth Year of his Majestys Reign George the Third, King of Great Britain, etc., Annoque Dominie 1772' and was then of 'Exeter in the County King's County and Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations in New England, etc., yeoman.' The will was probated in Exeter on April 15, 1778, Book 4:43 and shows the following to have been children of Thomas **(2)** Bentley (It is not known which wife bore them nor the exact order of birth nor whether these were all the children born to him.):

1. William **(3)** Bentley,
2. Benjamin **(3)** Bentley, married Sarah **(3)** Shippey, daughter

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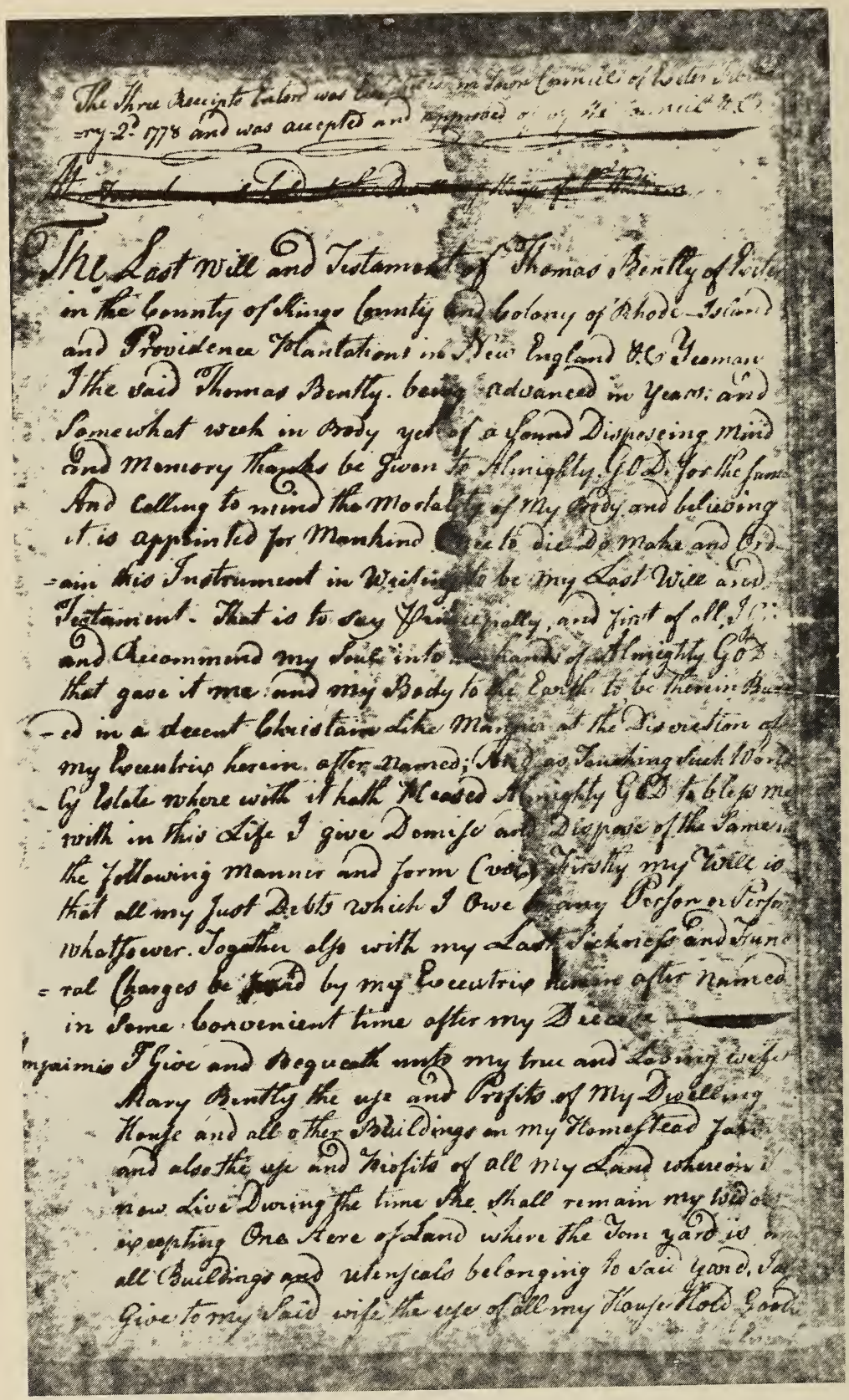

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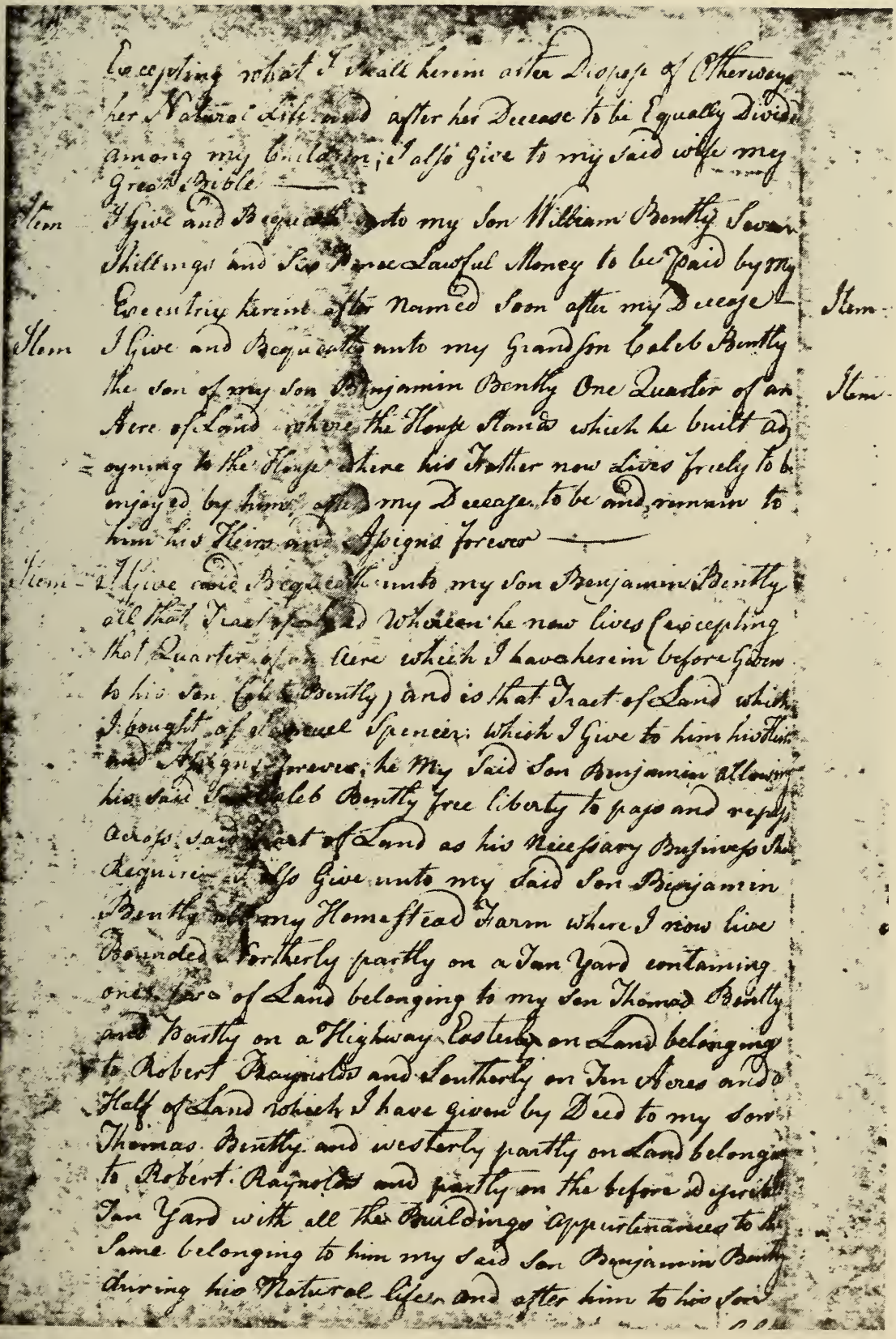
=ry 2d 1778 and was accepted and approved of by the Council &c

~~[illegible]~~

The Last Will and Testament of Thomas Bently of Exeter
in the County of Kings County and Colony of Rhode Island
and Providence Plantations in New England &c Yeoman
I the said Thomas Bently being advanced in Years and
Somewhat weak in Body yet of a Sound Disposeing Mind
and Memory thanks be Given to Almighty GOD for the same
And Calling to mind the Mortality of My Body and believing
it is appointed for Mankind Once to die Do Make and Ord-
=ain this Instrument in Writing to be my Last Will and
Testament. That is to say Principally, and first of all, I Give
and Recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty GOD
that gave it me and my Body to the Earth to be therein Bur-
=ed in a decent Christian Like Manner at the Discretion of
my Executrix herein after Named; And as Touching such Worl-
=ly Estate where with it hath Pleased Almighty GOD to bless me
with in this Life I give Demise and Dispose of the Same in
the following Manner and form (viz) Firstly my Will is
that all my Just Debts which I Owe to any Person or Person
whatsoever. Together also with my Last Sickness and Fune-
=ral Charges be paid by my Executrix herein after Named
in Some Convenient time after my Decease

Imprimis I Give and Bequeath unto my true and Loving wife
Mary Bently the use and Profits of My Dwelling
House and all other Buildings on my Homestead Farm
and also the use and Profits of all my Land whereon I
now Live During the time She shall remain my Widow
excepting One Acre of Land where the Tom yard is and
all Buildings and utensils belonging to said Yard. I also
Give to my Said wife the use of all my House Hold Good

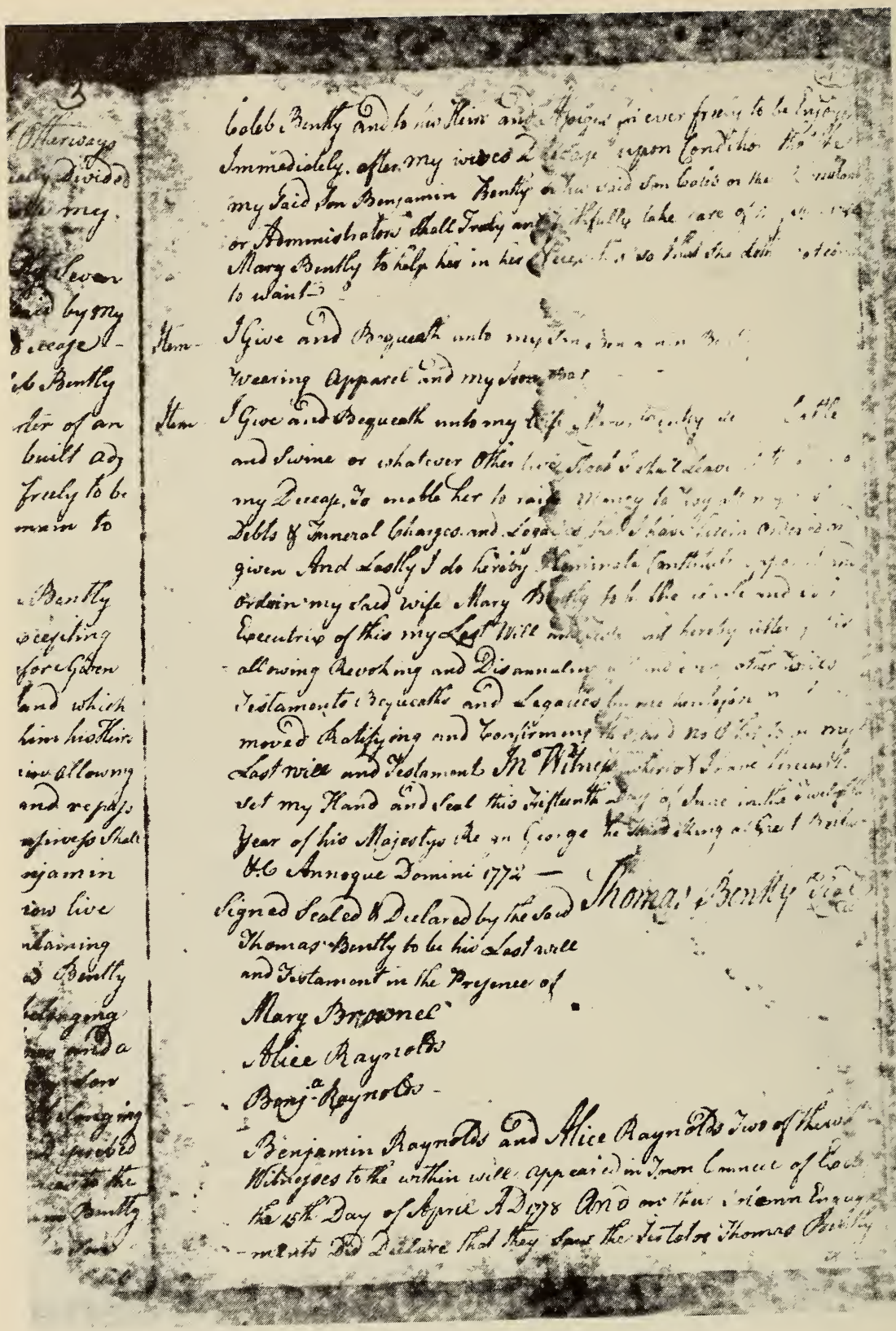


Excepting what I shall herein after Dispose of Otherways
her Natural Life and after her Decease to be Equally Divided
Among my Children; I also Give to my said wife my
Great Bible ——

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Son William Bently Seven
Shillings and Six Pence Lawful Money to be Paid by my
Executrix herein after Named Soon after my Decease —— Item

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Grandson Caleb Bently
the Son of my Son Benjamin Bently One Quarter of an Item
Acre of Land where the House Stands which he built Adjoyning to the House where his Father now Lives Freely to be enjoyed by him after my Decease to be and remain to him his Heirs and Assigns forever ——

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Son Benjamin Bently
all that Tract of Land Whereon he now lives (excepting
that Quarter of an Acre which I have herein before Given
to his Son Caleb Bently) and is that Tract of Land which
I bought of Samuel Spencer: Which I Give to him his Heirs
and Assigns forever, he My Said Son Benjamin allowing
his Said Son Caleb Bently free Liberty to Pass and repass
Across Said Tract of Land as his Necessary Business shall
Require — Also Give unto my Said Son Benjamin
Bently all my Homestead Farm where I now live
Bounded Northerly partly on a Tan Yard containing
one Acre of Land belonging to my Son Thomas Bently
and Partly on a Highway Easterly on Land belonging
to Robert Reynolds and Southerly on Ten Acres and a
Half of Land which I have given by Deed to my Son
Thomas Bently and westerly partly on Land belonging
to Robert Reynolds and partly on the before discribed
Tan Yard with all the Buildings Appurtenances to the
Same belonging to him my Said Son Benjamin Bently
during his Natural Life and after him to his Son



Caleb Bently and to his Heirs and Assigns forever freely to be Enjoyed
Immediately after my wives Decease upon Condition that the
my Said Son Benjamin Bently or his said Son Caleb or their Consulant
or Administrators shall Truly and faithfully take care of [illegible]
Mary Bently to help her in her Necessities so that she doth not come
to want —

Item — I Give and Bequeath unto my Son Benjamin Bently
Wearing Apparel and my Iron Bar —

Item — I Give and Bequeath unto my Wife Mary Bently [illegible] Cattle
and Swine or whatever Other live Stock I shall Leave [illegible]
my Decease, To enable her to raise Money to Pay all my [illegible]
Debts & Funeral Charges and Legacies that I have herein Ordered or
given And Lastly I do hereby Nominate Constitute [illegible]
Ordain my said Wife Mary Bently to be the whole and [illegible]
Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament hereby utterly [illegible]
allowing Revoking and Disannulling [illegible] other Wills
Testaments Bequeaths and Legacies by me heretofore [illegible]
moved Ratifying and Confirming the [illegible] No Other to be my
Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto
set my Hand and Seal this Fifteenth Day of June in the Twelfth
Year of his Majestys Reign George the third King of Great Britain
&c Annoque Domini 1772 —

Thomas Bently [illegible]

Signed Sealed & Declared by the said
Thomas Bently to be his Last will
and Testament in the Presence of
Mary Brownel
Alice Raynolds
Benj.a Raynolds —

Benjamin Raynolds and Alice Raynolds Two of the wit
Witnesses to the within will appeared in Town Council of Exc
the 15th Day of April A.D. 1778 And on their Solemn Engage
-ments Did Declare that they saw the Testator Thomas Bently

of Samuel **(2)** Shippey (David **(1)**) and his wife, Anne **(2)** Litchfield (Leachfield, Leithfield, etc.), of Thomas **(1)**.

3. Thomas **(3)** Bentley, Jr. (Be35.).

THOMAS BENTL(E)Y, WILLIAM'S SON, was the father of these five CH (Be111.) (b in the part of Kingstown which later became Exeter?):

(a) Jane Bentl(e)y was Born October 25, 1707.
(b) Mary Bentl(e)y was Born February 22, 1709.
(C) William Bentl(e)y was Born December 18, 1710.
(D) BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y was Born July 5, 1714.
(E) Thomas Bentl(e)y, the Son of Thomas, was Born July 11/12, 1717.

CLASSIFICATION

SUBLINE IV a. Be:FDa.	Jane
SUBLINE IV b. Be:FDb.	Mary
SUBLINE IV C. Be:FDC.	William
SUBLINE IV D. Be:FDD.	BENJAMIN
SUBLINE IV E. Be:FDE.	Thomas

THOMAS BENTLEY is named as a "Freeman" in a record for Kingstown on April 29, 1712, Book 4:193. Also, J.O. Austin (1887) referred to a record of 3.--. 1718, regarding Thomas Bentley, "He had suit brought against him by Thomas Phillips, for trespass, etc., and answered that he rightfully possesseth in the right of his father William Bentley" **(Be26.)**. This part of **Kingstown** on February 26, 1722/3, became known as **North Kingstown.** The part of **N.K.** that THOMAS BENTLEY was believed to have lived in became a part of **Exeter** on March 8, 1742/3.

THOMAS BENTLEY of Kingstown, a "Cordwainer," and his wife "Elizabeth" were named in a document recording a land transaction. THOMAS was paid for land in Kingstown laid out in Wickford. The grantee's name is illegible—a "Samuel E----" (?) (1718/19) (Be260.).

Evidence for THOMAS and wife (probably his **second**) Mary, step-mother of his children, was located in another document in North Kingstown Book 9A:104. This part of North Kingstown became Exeter in 1742/3.

THOMAS BENTLEY and wife **Mary Bentley** of North Kingstown conveyed (her "yield-up of dower") to "Son William Bentley, Blacksmith" one small piece of land in North Kingstown bounded . . . on the South by Land of

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The Last Will and Testament of THOMAS BENTLY, **Anc. IX.97., Be:FD.,** of Exeter, the father of BENJAMIN BENTLY, **Anc. VIII.49., Be:FDD.,** of Exeter, and the grandfather of Caleb Bently, **Be:FDDA.,** of Exeter.

Doc: Exeter (RI), Council and Probate Record Book 4, pages 43, 44, and 45.

"the said Thomas Bentley" on May 25, 1741; wit: Benoni Hall and Clemment Raynolds (his mark) (Be261.).

Exeter was incorporated March 8, 1742/3, and was taken from North Kingstown (original name of Yawgoo); it was called "Exeter" after the English town of that name (ref: Arnold, J.N.). From all appearances Thomas Bentley **(Be:FD.)**, although he was living on the same farm, did not "move" from one place to another. The name of the part of North Kingstown in which he lived at the time of the above conveyance of the small piece of land to his son William Bentley **(Be:FDC.)** was changed to or was given the name of "Exeter," the newly created town in 1742/3.

Thomas Bentley of **Exeter in 1761** is likely THOMAS BENTLEY **(Be:FD.)**, yeoman, who conferred one acre in Exeter unto his "son Thomas Bentley of Jamestown," tanner, on **June 18, 1762 (wit. by Alice Raynolds and Benja. Raynolds, JP) (Exeter OD9:438).**

Thomas Bentley of **Exeter** bought 20 acres in Exeter from Samuel Spencer of West Greenwich, **January 5, 1747** (wit. by Benjamin Bentley) (Exeter OD4:343).

Thomas Bentley of **Exeter** bought land in Exeter from Robert Gardner of Exeter, **Feb. 10, 1749** (wit. by William Bentley) (Exeter OD4:421).

Subline IV.a. Jane, Be:FDa.

FDa. Jane Bentl(e)y, b 10.25.1707, dtr of THOMAS (Be111.), Kingstown, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, New England.

Subline IV.b. Mary, Be:FDb.

FDb. Mary Bentl(e)y, b 2.22.1709, dtr of THOMAS (Be111.), Kingstown, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, New England. .

Subline IV.C. William, Be:FDC.

FDC. William Bentl(e)y, son of THOMAS, b 12.18.1710 (Be111.), Kingstown, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, New England. William's father THOMAS, in his **Will** written on June 15, 1772, referred to William as "my Son William Bentley" (Be200.), blacksmith (Be261.).

"William Bentley of North Kingstown, son of Thomas, and Elizabeth Tillinghast of East Greenwich, daughter of Joseph (were) married by John Jenkins, Justice (on) March 1, 1732" (Be251.). Their CH (see also Be74.):

FDCA. Tillinghast Bentley, "son of William and Eliza," b June 2, 1735, North Kingstown, RI Colony (Be252.) (see below).

Compiler Titus (Be36.), referred to as a secondary source of evidence (his compilation appears to lack primary-source documentation), lists the following additional children of William, son of THOMAS, son of WILLIAM BENTLEY:

FDCB. William Bentley (Ident. No. 3-22, b 1736). In another source, a partly fire-damaged record reads: "----- (son) of William and Elizabeth, b December --, 1736" — for surname Bentl(e)y (Be252.). Residence?

FDCC. Tabor Bentley (#3-23, b ----).

FDCD. Pardon Bentley (#3-24, b ca 1740) (see below).

FDCE. Joseph Bentley (#3-25, b 1742, d young).

FDCF. Gideon Bentley (#3-26, b 1744).

Until further "evidence" is made available, the traces made in the following lines by Titus (Be36.) of the **selected** descendants of William Bentley and Elizabeth Tillinghast should **not** be considered to be without error, although any serious errors are **not** apparent.

The following trace of Tillinghast Bentley's (Be:FDCA.) (3-21) is one of the longest traces (ten generations including the Rhode Island progenitor WILLIAM) made by Titus and included in his compilation (Be36.). Documentation was not included for links between parents and offspring and is not included here. Location of living descendants of persons named in the later generations may enable the searcher to gather desirable corroborating-evidence for validity and reliability. Note that Tillinghast's line includes the controversial "Joseph Bentley of Queensbury," NY. This searcher is curious to know what evidence was available for Titus to make this placement. If Titus had any reservation, he did not express it.

Tillinghast Bentley **(Be:FDCA.)**, "son of William and Eliza," b June 2, 1735, North Kingstown, RI Colony (Be252.); m May 29, 1755, Exeter (1:185), Sarah Thomas, "now of South Kingstown" (m by Elder Samuel Albro). Tillinghast likely became a "freeman" in Exeter on August 30, 1757 (Be245.).

Tillinghast Bentley (3-21, identification number by Titus), son of William, son of THOMAS, son of WILLIAM, as reported by Titus (Be36.), b 1735, m 1754, Sarah Thomas, had these nine CH (in tentative order, only one birth date given) (Be36.):

FDCAA. (4-118) John Bentley, b 1756, d 1830; res (was): Milton, NY.[1]

FDCAB. (4-119) George Bentley, res (was): Saratoga Co., NY.

FDCAC. (4-120) Tabor Bentley, d 1839; son:

FDCACA. (5-451) Tillinghast Bentley, Tabor's son.

FDCAD. (4-121) Thomas Bentley

FDCAE. (4-122) Samuel Bentley

FDCAf. (4-123) Mary Bentley

FDCAg. (4-124) Elizabeth Bentley

FDCAH. (4-125) Tillinghast Bentley; res (was): Saratoga Co., NY.

FDCAI. (4-126) Joseph Bentley; res (was): Queensbury, NY.[2] Was Joseph of Queensbury born in Warwick (RI) (see Be74.)? Joseph Bentley m Sally (?)[2] and had these four CH:

FDCAIA. (5-493) Crigger Bentley

FDCAIB. (5-494) Asa (?)[2] Bentley, d 1826, m Mary Knickerbocker.

FDCAIC. (5-495) Richard Bentley, b 1777, d 1842, m 1802, Dinah Vaughn. See below.

FDCAI?. (5-496) **anon.**[2] Bentley.

Richard Bentley (Be:FDCAIC.) (5-495), b 1777, d 1842, m 1802, Dinah Vaughn, b 1784, d 1866; they had **17 CH:**

FDCAICa. (6-697) -arilla (?) Bentley, b 1803, d 1803.

FDCAICb. (6-698) Adelia Bentley, b 1804, d 1804.

FDCAICC. (6-699) William Bentley, b 1805, d 1886.

FDCAICD. (6-700) David C. Bentley, b 1806, d 1893.

FDCAICe. (6-701) Polly Bentley, b 1808, d 1876, m 1827, Alfred Wright.

FDCAICF. (6-702) Stephen Bentley, b 1810, d 1890, NY.

FDCAICg. (6-703) Fanny Bentley, b ----, d 1891, Lake George, NY.

FDCAICh. (6-704) Anna Bentley, b 1812, d 1886, m 1835, Russell Twist.

FDCAICi. (6-705) Eliza Bentley, b 1814, d 1814.

FDCAICJ. (6-706) Warren Bentley, farmer, b 1815. See below.

[1] See addendum, **Be:FDCAA.**, page 1863.

[2] This part of the Titus-manuscript pages as it appears in the microfilm prints ranges from barely legible to illegible. The reader should be cautioned that the classification of this "Joseph Bentley" here is **not** a result of a general consensus of opinions among contemporary Bentley-family searchers and researchers (1979). Identification of this "Joseph" with the stated parents is questioned by some. Identification of this "Joseph" with the stated offspring is questioned by others. In this searcher's opinion, verification of the trace **via** this "Joseph Bentley" — with or without modification — should be made by a living descendant of Joseph Bentley of Queensbury qualified to produce the documentary evidence. See ref's Be74. and Be145. (G.H. Selleck's letter).

FDCAICk. (6-707) Emily Bentley, b 1818, d 1894, m 1838, Sherman Brown; res (was): Warrensburg, NY.

FDCAICL. (6-708) Joseph Bentley, b 1820, d 1820.

FDCAICm. (6-709) Rozilla Bentley, b 1821, d 1893, m 1843, John Orcutt.

FDCAICn. (6-710) Juliet Bentley, b 1823, d 1842.

FDCAICo. (6-711) Hannah J. Bentley, b 1824, d 1896, m **first** 1841, George Pike; m **secondly** Alf. Wright.

FDCAICP. (6-712) John Bentley, b 1826; res (was): Oneida, NY.

FDCAICq. (6-713) Sarah Bentley, b 1828, d 1888, Glens Falls, NY.

Warren Bentley (Be:FDCAICJ.) (6-706), farmer, b 1815, d 1902, Glens Falls, NY, m 1838, Callista Jenkins, Murray's dtr, b 1819, d 1869. Their eight CH were:

FDCAICJA. (7-782) John Jenkins Bentley, b 1838, m Jane McMullen; res (was): Glens Falls, NY.

FDCAICJB. (7-783) Joseph Warren Bentley, b 1840. See below.

FDCAICJC. (7-784) Miron Bentley, twin, b 1841, d 1841.

FDCAICJD. (7-785) Murray J. Bentley, twin, b 1841, d 1894, Chicago, IL.

FDCAICJe. (7-786) Julia Louisa Bentley, b 1843, m Charles Groves, b 1842; res (was): Glens Falls, NY.

FDCAICJF. (7-787) James Knox Bentley, b 1844, farmer; res (was): Glens Falls, NY.

FDCAICJG. (7-788) Franklin Richard Bentley, b 1846; res (was): Glens Falls, NY.

FDCAICJH. (7-789) George Henry Bentley, b 1852; res (was): Glens Falls, NY.

Joseph Warren Bentley (Be:FDCAICJB.) (7-783), farmer, b 1840, d 1894, Rochester, NY; m 1847, Achsa Vaughn; res (was): Rochester, NY; 2 CH and 4 GCH are named:

FDCAICJBA. (8-293 **via** 8-988) **Frederick W. Bentley** (Dr.), b 1870, m 1900, Nellie H. Robertson, b 1874; res (was): Tonawanda, NY; one CH named (undoubtedly others born later):

FDCAICJBAA. (9-43) **Warren Robertson Bentley,** b 1904 (probably lived in North Tonawanda, Erie Co., NY).

FDCAICJBB. (8-294) **Herbert L. Bentley,** b 1873, m 1896, Carrie Carman; res (was): Rochester, NY. These three dtrs were named (probably others born later):

FDCAICJBBa. (9-37) **Esther Florence Bentley** (prob. b Rochester, NY).

FDCAICJBBb. (9-38) **Ruth Beatrice Bentley** (prob. b Rochester, NY).

FDCAICJBBc. (9-39) **Dorothy Irene Bentley** (likely b Rochester, NY) (Be36.).[1]

Included are the identification numbers used by Titus in his compilation for each individual whom he believed was descended from WILLIAM BENTLEY **(Be:F.)** the Rhode Island Bentley-progenitor. The code letters should be of aid to the reader in following the classification.

Information from another secondary source (Be271.) has been added with caution. Source F.F. Bentley to M.L.H. (Be34.C.) is explained in the footnote.[2]

FDCD. Pardon Bentley (Be34.C.—F.F.B.) (Titus ident. #3-24), b ca 1740, m 1760, Elizabeth Sweet (Be34.C.—F.F.B.), Samuel's dtr, res was Greenville, Greene Co. (Catskill, the co. seat), NY; Pardon is credited with 11 CH (also Be34.C.—F.F.B.):

FDCDa. Margaret Bentley (4-61), b 1761.

FDCDB. Pardon Bentley (4-62), b 1763.

FDCDC. Thomas Bentley (4-63), b 1765.

FDCDD. William Bentley (4-64), b 1767, d 1820, Greenville, NY (see below):

FDCDE. John Bentley (4-65), b 1769.

FDCDF. Stephen Bentley (4-66), b 1771, d 1831.

FDCDG. Charles Bentley (4-67), b 1773.

FDCDH. Augustus Bentley (4-68), b 1775.

FDCDI. Samuel Bentley (4-69), b ---- (Be36.), b 1777 (Be34.C.—F.F.B.).

FDCDj. Elizabeth Bentley (4-70), b ---- (Be36.), b 1779 (Be34.C.—F.F.B.).

FDCDk. Susan Bentley (4-71), b ---- (Be36.), b 1781 (Be34.C.—F.F.B.).

William Bentley (Be:FDCDD.) (4-64), b 1767, d 1820, Greenville, NY; m **first** an unidentified spouse; 3 CH: (A) Jerusha, (B) William, and (c) Olive Bentley.

FDCDDA. Jerusha Bentley, b 1789, d ae. 3 y in 1792 (5-221½).

FDCDDB. William Bentley, m Harriet Averill (5-222); a long-time resident of Westerloo, NY, he moved in 1840 to Onondaga Co., NY; among his descendants are (Be271.):

[1] In all likelihood, Titus must have corresponded with either one of the brothers Frederick W. and Herbert L. Bentley or both. There marriage dates and the projected birth dates of their children are close to the time Titus concluded his manuscript.

[2] According to a typescript sent to Mary Lovering Holman (Be34.C.) in 1927, descendant Floyd F. Bentley **(Be:FDCDDB?A.)** (?) claimed: Pardon, b ca 1740, Exeter; res (was) Beekman, Dutchess Co., NY, m Elizabeth Sweet and had the 11 above-named CH (b dates agree, but he adds those of youngest three CH). F.F.B. also claimed an eight-hundred year trace of his patrilineal ancestry. Without supporting evidence, F.F.B. named progenitor WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y'S wife as SARAH **Eldred**, "b October 16, 1650, Yarmouth, MA."

FDCDDBA. George Bentley, res (1897): Colorado Springs, CO.

FDCDDB?A. Floyd F. Bentley, railroad agent, Baldwinsville, Onondaga Co., NY.

FDCDDc. Olive Bentley (5-223); m Peter Capwell; son (Be271.):

FDCDDcA. Albert C. Capwell, for many years a prominent lawyer in Brooklyn, NY.

William Bentley (Be:FDCDD.) (4-64), m **secondly** 1795, Widow Hopkins, nee Abigail Smith, b 1771, d 1840 (Be36.): Abigail was Elisha's dtr. They moved from North East, Dutchess Co., NY, to Chesterville, Albany Co., NY, in 1800 (Be271.). Their eight CH (Be36.): (d.) Amanda (Be271.), (e.) Harriet (Be271.), (F.) Alvin (Be36.) or Alva (Be271.), (g.) Abigail (Be271.), (H.) George (Be36.) or George H. (Be271.), (I.) Edwin (Be36.) or Edwin S. (Be271.), (J.) Alexander Henry (Be36.) or Alexander (Be271.), and (K.) Thomas (Be36.) and/or (?) (L.) Edward S. (Be271.); their selected DESC:

FDCDDd. Amanda Bentley (5-224), b 1795, d 1890, Evansville, Rock Co., WI, m 1817, John Winston, Isaac's son, b 1797, d 1869; **thirteen CH, the first two of whom were:**

FDCDDdA. Hamilton Winston (6-341), b 1818, m **first** Jane Coleman, **secondly** widow Doris (?) Pope; res was Alexandria, VA.

FDCDDdB. Nelson Winston (6-342), farmer, merchant, banker, b 1819, d 1903, m 1851, Elisa Ann Parsons, Anson's dtr, b 1824; their 4 CH:

FDCDDdBA. Franklin Winston (7-451), b 1852.

FDCDDdBB. Fred Hamilton Winston (7-452), b 1853, m Etta Bartholomew, res was Evansville, Rock Co., WI.

FDCDDdBc. Loretta Corinne Winston (7-453), unmarried, b 1855, d 1880.

FDCDDdBD. George Parsons Winston (7-454), b 1857, m Florence (-----), res was Frederick, SD (?); 3 CH:

FDCDDdBDA. Roy Winston (8-173), b 1879.

FDCDDdBDB. Earl Winston (8-174), b 1881.

FDCDDdBDC. Paul Winston (8-175), b 1883.

FDCDDe. Harriet Bentley, William's dtr (5-224½), d young.

FDCDDF. Alva ("Alvin") Bentley (5-225), William's son ("Alvin"—Be36.) ("Alva"—Be271. and Be274.; "Alvah"—Be79.), b 1798, m 1824, Margaret Winston; res was MI (Be36.). In 1860, Alva Bentley was 58 y old (b NY), with wife Margaret aged 55 y (b NY), lived in Hadley Twp, Lapeer Co., MI, where he farmed (Be274.). Alva was said to have been a school inspector in Genesee Co. in 1849 (Be272.).

The **Stanton Genealogy** is quoted as the source in Lobdell's **Bentley Gleanings** (Be79., p. 33) for the following:

Margaret Winston, dau. of David and Judith Stanton Winston, b. 26 June, 1804; m. Alvah Bentley in Westerlo, Albany County, N.Y. He d. in Michigan in 1873. She d. April, 1885, in Palmyra, N.Y. Left one son, Jasper Bentley, who lives in Lapeer, Mich.

Their CH:

FDCDDFA. Jasper Bentley (6-353), lawyer; res (ca 1906): Brooklyn, NY (Be36.); Genesee Co. school inspector in 1851 (Be272.); lawyer in Lansing, MI (ca 1897) (Be271.). His res in 1860 was Hadley Twp, Lapeer Co., MI, where he lived at age 33 y (b NY) as a carpenter with wife Julia, aged 31 y (b NY), and their three dtrs (Be274.).

FDCDDFAa. Ada Bentley, b MI, ae. 11 y in 1860 (Be274.).

FDCDDFAb. Kate E. Bentley, b MI, ae. 9 y in 1860, Hadley Twp, Lapeer Co., MI (Be274.).

FDCDDFAc. Ella Bentley, b MI, ae. 8 y in 1860, Lapeer Co., MI (Be274.).

FDCDDFA?. (anon.) Bentley, Jasper's dtr, "wife of J.B. Moore, Supreme Court judge of Michigan" (1897) (Be271.).

FDCDDFB. David Bentley, d inf. (Be36.).

FDCDDFc. Mary Bentley, m (anon.) Thompson (Be36.); Mary, b NY, ae. 19 y in 1860, m Andrew Thompson, b NY, ae. 22 y in 1860, Lapeer Co., MI, living with Mary's parents Margaret and Alva of Hadley Twp (Be274.). Their CH:

FDCDDFcA. Alva J. Thompson, b MI, ae. 1 y in 1860, Hadley Twp, Lapeer Co., MI (Be274.).

FDCDDFcB. Frank Thompson, res (ca 1906): Lapeer, MI (Be36.).

FDCDDFcc. (anon. dtr) Thompson, m Rollin A. Stevens, res (ca 1906): High St., Detroit, MI (Be36.).

FDCDDg. Abigail Bentley (5-226), William's dtr (Be36.); wife of Reuben Winston, M.D. (Be271.).

FDCDDH. George H. Bentley (Be271.) ("George," Be36.), William's son, b 3.1.1806, Chesterville, NY, d 7.16.1863, on the old homestead at Westerlo, NY, where he was town rep. on the Board of Supervisors 1854-55; m 1.30.1828, Almira Lawrence (Be271.); CH: (A) Charles.

FDCDDHA. Charles Bentley, b 8.22.1831, Westerlo, NY, lived on the old homestead until 1883, when he sold it and moved to Hastings, NE; res (1897 ca): Cambridge, Furnas Co., NE (place where fossilized bones of a saber-toothed cat were discovered in 1947). Charles was a supervisor in Westerlo in 1866-67. Charles Bentley m 10.14.1851, Priscilia Baker, Samuel's dtr, of Westerlo, NY, who d 12.21.1879; their four CH (Be271.): (a.) Fanny, (B.) George, (C.) Edward W., and (D.) Willis Bentley.

FDCDDHAa. Fanny Ada Bentley, d 7.19.1866.

FDCDDHAB. George Bentley, m Rosella Tallmadge, Henry's dtr, of Westerlo, NY, and moved to Cambridge, Furnas Co., NE, in 1883, where he was residing in 1896. Their two sons: (A.) Fred and (B.) Charles; their DESC (Be271.):

FDCDDHABA. Fred E. Bentley (Be271.).

FDCDDHABB. Charles L. Bentley (Be271.).

FDCDDHAC. Edward W. Bentley, d 6.28.1866 (Be271.).

FDCDDHAD. Willis Bentley, b 5.12.1868, was a clerk in Chesterville, NY; and from 1883 to 1897 (plus), he was in business in Ravena (known as Coeymans Junction in 1883), a village in Albany Co. located on the Hudson River about 11 mi. S of Albany, NY. Willis Bentley m 2.4.1891, Cora B. Winegard, William's dtr, of Westerlo, NY; one CH (Be271.):

FDCDDHADa. Inez C. Bentley, b 3.19.1892, Ravena, Albany Co., NY (Be271.).

FDCDDI. Edwin S. Bentley, William's son, (Be271.) ("Edwin"--5-228--Be36.).

FDCDDJ. Alexander Henry Bentley (5-229), William's son (Be36.); res (1896); Greenville, Albany Co., NY (Be271.).

FDCDDK. Thomas Bentley (5-230) (Be36.) (**not** named in Be271.).

FDCDDL. Edward S. Bentley (Be271.) (**not** named in Be36.).

FDCDE. John Bentley, Pardon's son.

FDCDF. Stephen Bentley, Pardon's son.

FDCDG. Charles Bentley, Pardon's son.

FDCDH. Augustus Bentley, Pardon's son.

FDCDI. Samuel Bentley, Pardon's son.

FDCDj. Elizabeth Bentley, Pardon's dtr.

FDCDk. Susan Bentley, Pardon's dtr.

FDCE. Joseph Bentley, William's son.

FDCF. Gideon Bentley, William's son.

Be:

Subline IV.D. Benjamin, Be:FDD.

FDD. BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y, b 7.5.1714 (Be111.), Kingstown, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, New England. BENJAMIN'S father THOMAS in his **Will** written **6.15.1772,** refers to BENJAMIN as "my Son Benjamin Bently" and as "he My Said Son Benjamin allowing his Said Son Caleb Bently." (Be200.).

In this Last Will and Testament of Thomas Bently of Exeter in the County of Kings County and Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations in New England, THOMAS BENTLY states,

> I also Give unto **my Said Son Benjamin Bently** all my Homestead Farm where I now live Bounded Northerly partly on a Tan Yard containing one Acre of Land belonging to my Son Thomas Bently and **Partly on a Highway Easterly on Land belonging to Robert Raynolds** and Southerly on Ten Acres and a Half of Land which I have given by Deed to my Son Thomas Bently **and westerly partly on Land belonging to Robert Raynolds** and partly on the before Described Tan Yard with all the Buildings Appurtenances to the Same belonging **to him my Said Son Benjamin Bently during his Natural life, and after him to his Son Caleb Bently and to his Heirs and Assigns . . .**(Be200.).

BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y (Be:FDD., anc. VIII.49.) married SARAH SHIPPEE (anc. VIII.50.) and had seven children (known). For further information regarding SARAH'S known ancestors and their descendants, see the beginning of the "Shippee Family Group" (Sp:) following the "Sources of Evidence for the Bentley Family Group" further on.

SARAH SHIPPEE (anc. VIII.50.) was the wife of a **BENTL(E)Y**, according to her father's **Will** (Be267.). SARAH was the wife of BENJAMIN BENTLEY (VIII.49.) (Be:FDD.) (circumstantial evidence) (Be32.H. with Be267.).

"SARAH" was the mother (Be32H.) of Caleb, Joseph, Thomas, SAMUEL, and Benjamin Bentley (Be21.B. or Be32.H.). SARAH was the mother of Gideon Bentley, brother of Caleb, Thomas, and SAMUEL (Be34.B.3. with Be32.H.).

SARAH is presumed to have been the mother of "the youngest child" of BENJAMIN BENTLEY(Be:FDD.) (in 1760); mother and this child d 1760 or 1761 in Exeter, Colony of RI, from smallpox (see further on under **Be:FDD.**).

SARAH SHIPPEE (VIII.50.) was the daughter of SAMUEL SHIPPEE ("SHIPPY") (anc. IX.99.) (Be267.). See **SHIPPEE** (Sp:) family group.

SARAH SHIPPEE (VIII.50.) was the daughter of ANN (----------) (Be267., Be268.), whose maiden surname may be "Lechford, " "Leithfield," "Le--feld," or "Litchfield." See ref. Be269. SARAH is believed to have been the

gdtr of "Mary (-----) Litchfield Hooper," Dorchester, MA (ref.: Lenn Bergsten, Shippee descendant conducting genealogical research in 1977-78).

Searchers **have** satisfactorily identified SARAH SHIPPEE'S mother (anc. IX.100.) referred to in earlier-known secondary-sources as "ANN LEITHFIELD" or now as "ANNE LITCHFIELD." SARAH'S maternal grandparents are now believed to have been "THOMAS LICHFIELD" (anc. X.199.) and "MARY" (anc. X.200.) (unknown maiden-surname, m (1) Joseph Long, (2) Thomas Lichfield, and (3) John Hooper). Remaining unidentified (1978) are SARAH SHIPPEE BENTL(E)Y'S maternal great-grandparents (ancestors XI.397., XI.398., XI.399., and XI.400.).

SARAH SHIPPEE'S father was SAMUEL SHIPPEE (anc. IX.99.), the son of DAVID SHIPPEE (anc. X.197.) and wife MARGARET SCRANTON (anc. X.198.) **(East Greenwich, RI, Land Evidence, Book 1,** p. 37B.) (Sp8.) (Be32.A.).

To the best of this searcher's knowledge, no living person (1978) has satisfactorily identified SARAH SHIPPEE'S paternal grandfather DAVID SHIPPEE'S parents (anc. XI.383. and XI.394.) or his grandparents (anc. XII.785., XII.786., XII.787., XII.788.).

SARAH SHIPPEE'S (VIII.50.) paternal grandmother MARGARET SCRANTON (X.198.) was the daughter of THOMAS SCRANTON (anc. XI.395.) (see Austin's **Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island**) (see photo of doc.).

Evidences for SARAH SHIPPEE'S (anc. VIII.50.) paternal grandmother MARGARET SCRANTON'S (anc. X.198.) mother (anc. XI.396.) and grandparents (anc. XII.791. and XII.792.) are unknown to this searcher, descendant of SARAH and BENJAMIN.

The children born to BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y "Jr." **(Be:FDD.)** and SARAH include:

(A) Caleb Bentley, son of Benjamin (Jr.) and Sarah, b 8.25.1739, Exeter (Be32H.).

(B) Joseph Bentley, son of Benjamin (Jr.) and Sarah, b 3.25.1741, Exeter (Be32H.).

(C) Thomas Bentley, son of Benjamin (Jr.) and Sarah, b 1.4.1743, Exeter (Be32H.).

(D) SAMUEL BENTLEY, son of BENJAMIN (Jr.) and SARAH, b 1.4.1746, Exeter (Be32H.).

(E) Benjamin Bentley, son of Benjamin (Jr.) and Sarah, b 5.5.1749, Exeter (Be32H.).

(F) Gideon Bentley, b 8.12.1750, d 1.20.1858 (Be83.).

(?) "youngest child of Benj.," d between Dec. 16, 1760, and January 28, 1761; "it" d from smallpox at about the same time as BENJAMIN'S wife.

CLASSIFICATION

SUBSUBLINE IV.DA.	Be:FDDA.	Caleb
SUBSUBLINE IV.DB.	Be:FDDB.	Joseph
SUBSUBLINE IV.DC.	Be:FDDC.	Thomas
SUBSUBLINE IV.DD.	Be:FDDD.	SAMUEL
SUBSUBLINE IV.DE.	Be:FDDE.	Benjamin
SUBSUBLINE IV.DF.	Be:FDDF.	Gideon
SUBSUBLINE IV.D?.	Be:FDD?.	anonymous

Vividly portraying the hardships faced by our Rhode Island ancestors, the next account is of their struggle with the dreaded smallpox virus, to them an unidentified enemy. Edward Jenner, the English physician who discovered vaccination was only eleven years old when the Exeter settlers became the victims of the smallpox germs in 1760-1761. Extracts taken by Mrs. Blanche Albro from the water-damaged records that survived a fire tell the story.

The barely discernible writing infers the death of our beloved ancestor SARAH (SHIPPEE) BENTLEY (anc. VIII.50.), wife of stout-hearted BENJAMIN BENTLEY (anc. VIII.49.) **(Be:FDD.)**, and the death of their anonymous "youngest child." These, then, are the official minutes taken at the Exeter Town Council meetings in December of 1760 and January of 1761. Records written sixteen years later in January and March of 1777 (intermittent records excepted) were also gleaned.

Exeter Town Council Meeting Record--in part, for Dec. 12, 1760:

> This Council is adjourned to the Dwelling House of **Thomas Bently** . . . Exeter . . . Instant Day
>
> Ordered that **Ebinezer Cahoon**[1] who is now with **Benjamin Bently** Stay there with him in order to Look after him he being sick with the Small Pox
>
> Ordered that **Richard Winman**[2] forthwith upon Sight of this Order Repair to the Dwelling House of **Benjamin Bently** who is now sick with the Small Pox in order to Assist in Nursing and Looking after him
>
> Ordered that the Dog and Cat or Catts that belong to the House where **Benjamin Bently** is sick with the Small Pox be forthwith

[1] Ebenezer Cohoone

[2] Richard Waneman or Richard Wainman (same person) (**Be266.**).

Be:

Killed and that a Gun be Provided for the Nurses in order to Kill all Dogs or Cats which shall appear about Said House

Ordered that the Nurses take Care and Dig a hole, in the ground and ----- and put all things therein which are of no Value and ----- in any Measure to be Infected with the Said Disease and that they also take care to not Burn any matter or thing which shall be Infected with said Disease

This Council adjourned to the Dwelling House of **Capt. John Raynolds** this Instant Day

Ordered that **Thomas Bently** be and he is hereby appointed a Tender to the aforesaid Nurses in order to provide Necessaries for said **Benja. Bentley.**

Ordered that Joseph Bently . . .
in sight of this Order Stop up the Highway or path about twenty Rod to the Northward of the Fence that tresspasses **the House where his Father is Sick with the Small Pox** by Throwing Brush across the path and to Set up a Post with a Certificate thereon to Certify the Said Infection . . . and likewise the Same Southward of Said House where the Path turns out from the High way

Ordered that **Caleb Bently and his Brother** -- -- and Change their Cloaths and also the Cloaths of the rest of the Family some Suitable Distance from the Neighbours House

This Council is Adjourned to this Day of this Instant December at 9 (o) Clock in Said Day the Dwelling House of **Thomas Havens** in Said **Exeter**

Att a Town Council held at the Dwelling House of **Thomas Havens** in **Exeter** by Adjournment on the **13th Day of December A.D 1760**

All of the Council Present **John Raynolds Jun**
John Gardner
Daniel Barber
John Chapman
John Champlin

Ordered that **Joshua Potter** be forthwith Sighted to appear before this Council in order to Shew Cause why he Continues in this Town

Ordered that **Elizabeth Holloway** of North kingstown forthwith upon Sight of this order Repair to the House of where **Robert Smith** is Sick with the Small Pox in **Exeter** and there abide in Order to Look after him

Ordered that the Nurses that tend **Robert Smith** Kill all Dogs and Cats that shall appear about the House where he is Sick either that belong to said House or to any other Person and likewise to Dig a hole in the . . .

Dec. 16: Ordered that

Ann Gardiner continue with Ben Bentley's wife who is still sick with small pox. **Ordered that Benj. Bentley's youngest child be immediately removed from house where it now is, into the house where**

its father and mother is now sick with the small pox, it is suspected the child hath been taken with said distemper. Ordered that Benj. Bentley's Children which are now in Thomas Bentley's Shop remove directly to a currying shop belonging to Robt. Reynolds some distance westward of the first mentioned shop.

Capt. John Reynolds to have oversight of Benj. Bentley's children to said Benj. Bentley where[1] Bentleys wife and child are sick with small pox.

Exeter Council Meeting Record:

Att a Town Council held at the Dwelling House of **Capt. John Raynolds in Exeter** on the **28th Day of January AD 1761**
All of the Council
Present:
John Raynolds Jun
Stephen Richmond
John Gardner
Daniel Barber
John Chapman
John Champlin

Ordered that **Thomas Bently** be Allowed and paid out the Town Trasury the Sum of 49:4:6 pounds the Same being for things by him Provided for **Benjamin Bently his Wife and Child** Whilest they were Sick with the Small Pox

Ordered that **Ebinezzer Cahoon** be allowed and Paid out of the Town Treasury the Sum of 182:12 pounds the Same being for his Service in Nursing **Benja. Bently his Wife and Child with the Small Pox and for 2 Coffins for Said Bentlys Wife and Child and 4 lb of Candles**

Ordered that Ann Gardner be allowed and paid out of the Town Treasury the Sum of 72 Pounds the Same being for 24 Days Attendance or Nursing in the Small Pox at 3 pounds p'r Day Order out

Ordered that **Samuel Colegrove** be Allowed and paid out of the Town Treasury the Sum of 196:10 pounds the Same being for 37 Days Nursing **Thomas Rogerses** Family with the Small Pox at 4:10 pounds p'r Day and 5 Days at 6 pounds: p'r Day Order out

Ordered that **Elisha Babcock** be allowed and paid out of the Town Treasury the Sum of 66 pounds the Same being for his wives Nursing in the Town Service in the Small Pox 22 Days at 3 pounds p'r Day order out

This Council is Adjourned to the 29th Instant at the Dwelling House of **Capt. John Raynolds**

Exeter Town Council Meeting of March 10, 1761:

Ordered that **Ebenizer Cahoon** be Allowed and paid out of the Town Treasury 112:10 pounds the Same being for nursing **Benj.**

[1] Probably meant "while" rather than "where"

Bentley[1] **a soldier** 25 days at 4:10 pounds p'r Day in his sickness with small pox.

Book 4, Exeter Town Council Meeting Record (Notes taken from actual water-damaged-record by Mrs. Albro).

On **January 19, 1777,** the Council received information that one **Silas Bates** is taken sick in the town with the small pox at dwelling house of **Benj. Bentley**. Town Council attained **Mr. Anthony Shaw's** judgment who has been to visit him and in his judgement he the said **Silas Bates** has the small pox and that he may be moved with safety.

Benj. Bentley and **Richard Wennam** to move **Silas Bates** and the bed and bedding that he now lies on from said Bentley's to the house of **Robert Reynolds.**

Ordered said **Bentley** and **Winnam** be the persons to take care and nurse **Bates** until further orders from the Council.

Anthony Shaw to assist in moving said **Bates** and that he to see the cleansing of house where said **Bates** shall be removed from. That **Benj. Bentley's said family and Caleb Bentley, Jr. and his family** keep close at home and not go abroad for it is adjudged by this Council likely they have taken the smallpox until they have further orders.

January 24, 1777: Information recieved by the Council that **Benj. Bentley** did not obey and Comply with orders of the Council but he has been at the house where said **Bates** has small pox and returned to his family without licence from proper Authority and in so doing he is likely to spread the distemper. Ordered **Benj. Bentley** confined to his own house and not to go therefrom until further orders.

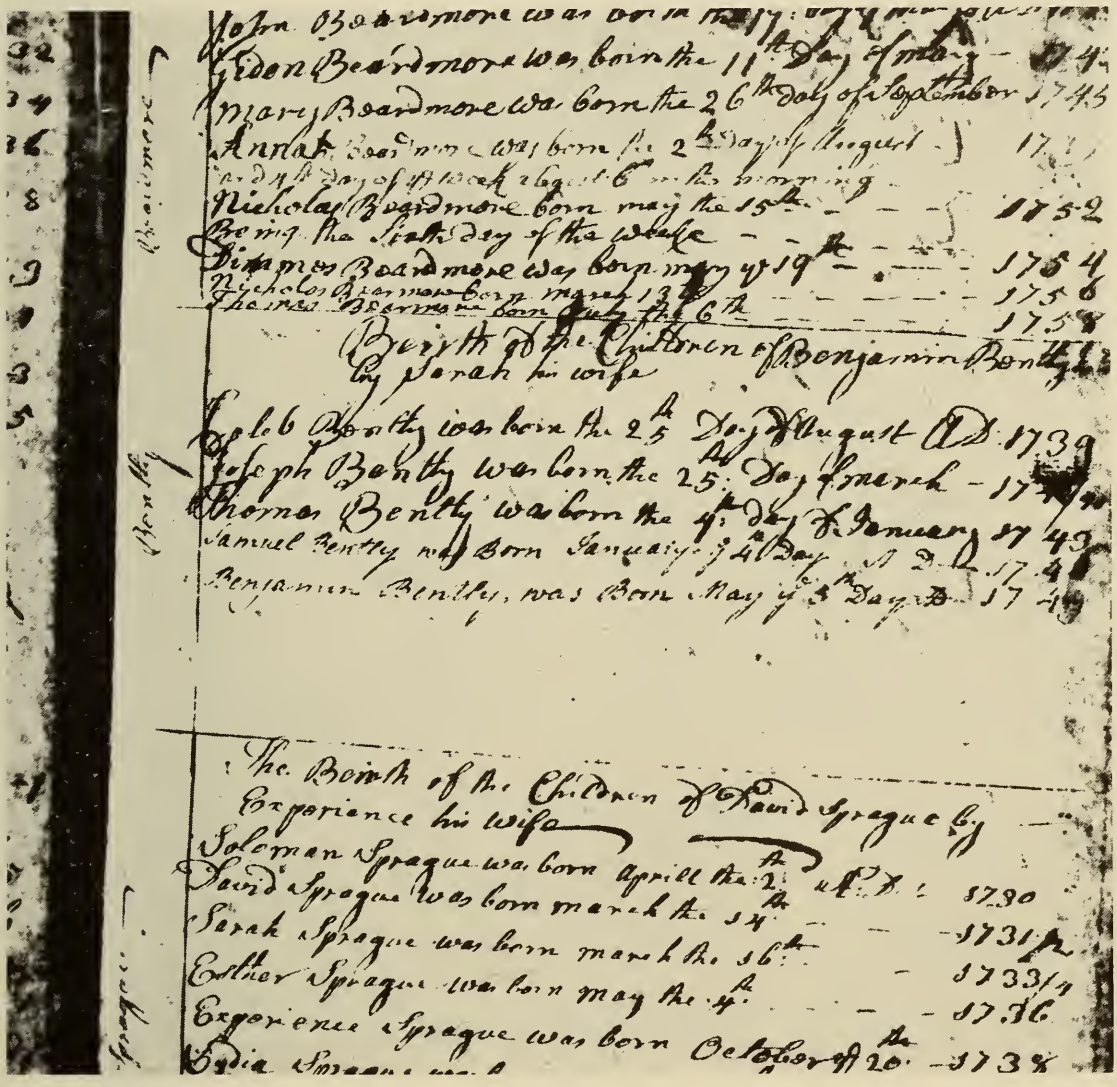
Order that all persons who have been at house of **Benj. Bentley** in Exeter since **Silas Bates** came to the house to keep to their respective homes until the expiration of of 20 days from the date thereof.

January 29, 1777: Information by **Robert Reynolds Jr.** that **Hannah Bentley,** wife of **Benj. Bentley** is broken out with small pox. **Hannah Bentley and her Grandchild** be removed to house where **Silas Bates** is sick with small pox. **Anthony Shaw, Benj. Bentley and Benj. Lawdy** all to assist in moving **Hannah and her Grandchild, and said Bentley** to take a sufficient Quantity of bedding and provisions for the support of him and his family. **Benj. Bentley** ordered to stay and assist **Richard Wennam** in Nursing the sick with small pox until further notice.

March 10, 1777: 16 pounds 9s paid by town treasurer to **Richard Wennam** for Nursing **Hannah Bentley,** the wife of **Benj.** with the small pox for **21½ days.**

[1]**Note:** according to the Exeter Book of Marriages . . ., Book 1:155, a **Benjamin Bentley** was **married** on **August 23, 1761,** Exeter, to **Hannah Bates**, by elder Samuel Albro. This searcher does not know know her maiden name, assuming her to be a widow. In the following minutes for Jan. 29, 1777, reference is made to her grandchild; evidence is fragmentary.

Note: the above records (water damaged) were not xeroxed, but copied by hand (the preceding record copied by Mrs. Albro); parts are just barely legible.



The Birth Record of Five Children of BENJAMIN BENTLY, **Anc. VIII.49., Be:FDD.,** by his wife SARAH, **Anc. VIII.50.,** including their son SAMUEL BENTLY, **Be:FDDD., Anc. VII.25.,** and four of his brothers, Caleb Bently, **Be:FDDA.;** Joseph Bently, **Be:FDDB.;** Thomas Bently, **Be:FDDC..** and Benjamin Bently, **Be:FDDE.** Their brother Gideon's **(Be:FDDF.)** birth is not recorded here. Book of Births and Marriages, Book 1, page 201, Exeter, RI.

Be:

Subsubline IV.DA. Caleb, BE:FDDA.

FDDA. Caleb Bentley, son of Benjamin and Sarah, b 8.25.1739, Exeter (Be32H) (Be21.B.). Although he is named on the record as son of "Benjamin, Jr.," his grandfather was Thomas Bentl(e)y. In the community where he lived, his older relative, Uncle Benjamin, also lived. To distinguish the younger from the older, the "Jr." was attached to the younger's name. In that community the custom prevailed; the person with "Jr." after his name was not necessarily the son of the person with the same first name. This fact was first explained to this searcher in 1977, at the New England Family History Seminar, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA. Later, a specific reference explaining the above situation was located (Be35.).

Caleb d 12.1825, ae. 86 y, West Greenwich, Kent Co., RI (Be61.); d 12.17.1825, aged 86 y (Be61.). Caleb m Leah Spencer (Be—), b 9.14.1742, West Greenwich, Kent Co., RI (Be—), dtr of William Spencer and Elizabeth Rice (Be—). Leah (Spencer) Bentley, d 1.25.1826, ae. 83 y (Be61.), d 1.23.1826 (Be275.). Caleb was a tailor (1781).(Be204., Be247.).

Caleb Bentley was a Patriot Soldier in the Revolutionary War. He was a Private in the Rhode Island Train Band for the Town of Exeter. Caleb Bentley was warned to appear 4.4.1777, at the house of Stephen Whitman, as a member of Exeter Train Band, warning dated 4.1.1777, (info. from Rhode Island Revolutionary Rolls). In the Military Papers for Caleb Bentley, located at the Rhode Island Historical Society, Providence, RI, Ms. 165, the name of "Caleb Bentley" appears as "private" on an undated return of men; Job Briggs, Clerk.

The children born to Caleb Bentley and Leah (Spencer) include:

(4) Nathan Bentley, "**third son**" of Caleb and Leah, b 1.24.1777, West Greenwich (Be69A., not Be32E.);

(5) Isaac Bentley, "**fourth son**" of Caleb and Leah, b 2.28.1779, West Greenwich (Be69A., not Be32E.);

(6) Betsey Bentley, "**second daughter**" of Caleb and Leah, b 2.28.1781, West Greenwich (Be69A., not Be32E.);

(7) Sally Bentley, "**third daughter**" of Caleb and Leah, b 3.4.1783, West Greenwich (Be69A., not Be32E.);

(8) Spencer Bentley, "**fifth son**" of Caleb and Leah, b 4.23.1787, West Greenwich (Be69A., not Be32E.);

The children born to Caleb Bentley and Leah (Spencer) also appear to include:[1]

[1]Please **note** that the original record, bearing the names and birth dates for the three eldest children born to Caleb and Leah (Spencer) Bentl(e)y is not known as "Exeter—Births and Deaths," Book 2, page 169, as quoted by J. N. Arnold in **V.R.R.I.**, vol. 5, "Exeter," p. 40. The "original" record is in the "Town Meeting Book—Old Book of Varieties Book 3—1743," Exeter, RI, page 169 (lower half) (see Be69C.).

(1) **Either** Sarah Bentley, "Eldest Daughter" of Caleb and Leah, b 5.12.1764, East Greenwich (Be32I.) (Be69C.); **and/or** (1) Hannah Bentley, "Second daughter" of Caleb and Leah, b 2.12.1766, Exeter (Be32I.) (see also Be69B., identity?) (see Be69C.-?);

(2) Randall Bentley (**not** believed to be "Hannah" Bentley), (eldest son?), b-----(?); "Randal Bently" was a son of Caleb and Leah Bentley, Be65A.), likely b in Exeter (RI); and

(3) William Bentley, "Eldest Son" of Caleb and Leah, b Exeter, b 1.17.1773 (?) (not on 1.17.1768, as stated in Be32I.) (Be69C.) (Be65A.) (Be67.) (Be13B.).

This uncertain identification of the children of Caleb and Leah is further complicated, perhaps, by an awe-inspiring record of page 86 of Book 2 of the West Greenwich (RI) "Births, Marriages, and Death," brought to this searcher's attention. The information on the original record differs from that recorded by J. N. Arnold; the name of "Caleb Bently" is given as the father of "Hannah Bently of West Greenwich" who was lawfully married to Stephen Albro of West Greenwich by Elder Nathan Hill of the Baptist Church of North Kingstown (RI) in West Greenwich, March 19, 1786. Secondly, the first daughter b to Stephen and Hannah (Bently) Albro was Lydia Albro, b July 30, 1786, presumably in West Greenwich. Thirdly, Elder Nathan Hill officiated at the lawful marriage in West Greenwich on September 4, 1791, between Stephen Albro of West Greenwich and Amey Hopkins, daughter of Joseph Hopkins of West Greenwich (interpretation?) (Be69B.).

Is the "Hannah Bently" who married Stephen Albro in 1786, the daughter of Caleb and Leah Bentley or is she the daughter of another "Caleb Bently" of West Greenwich?

The identification and classification of the children of Caleb Bentley and his wife Leah Spencer are uncertain because of conflicting evidence. Did Caleb have a dtr named Hannah? Is "Hannah" actually a misinterpretation of a partially illegible record for "Randal" Bentl(e)y (a proven son of Caleb and Leah), whose name does **not** appear either on the Exeter birth-record (Be69.C.) or on the West Greenwich birth-record (Be69.A.)?

If the possibility also exists that Caleb and Leah had ten CH, rather than eight, then **perhaps** the basis for identification and classification would resemble this alternate hypothesis (Be69.A,C.):

1. Sarah Bentley, b 1764 (May 12, 1764) ("eldest dtr");
2. Hannah Bentley, b 1766 (February 12, 1766) ("**second dtr.**");
3. William Bentley, b 1768 (January 17, 1768) ("**eldest son**");
4. Randall Bentley, b 1773 (or 1766?) (undocumented birth);
5. William Bentley, b 1773 (January 17, 1773);
6. Nathan Bentley, b 1777 (January 24, 1777) ("**third son**");
7. Isaac Bentley, b 1779 (February 28, 1779) ("fourth son");
8. Betsey (Elizabeth) Bentley, b 1781 (February 28, 1781) ("**second dtr**");

9. Sally (Sarah) Bentley, b 1783 (March 4, 1783) ("third dtr"); and
10. Spencer Bentley, b 1787 (April 23, 1787) ("fifth son").

This searcher prefers, perhaps incorrectly, the following one of the two (others?) hypothetical or tentative listings for eight CH (rather than for ten) of Caleb Bentley (**Be:FDDA.**):

(**a**) Sarah Bentley, b 1764 (Be32.I.);

(**B**) Randall Bentley, b ca 1773 (**not** believed to have been b later than his brother William) (b **not** reported —?) (Be65.A., Be69.D.); b 1766 (?);

(**C**) William Bentley, b 1.17.1773 (**not** in "1768" —?) (Be32B.I., Be13B.,Be69.C.)

(**D**) Nathan Bentley, b 1777 (Be32E., Be69.A.);

(**E**) Isaac Bentley, b 1779 (Be32E., Be69.);

(**f**) Betsey (Elizabeth) Bentley, b 1781 (Be32E., Be69.A.);

(**g**) Sally (Sarah) Bentley, b 1783 (Be32E., Be69.A.); and

(**H**) Spencer Bentley, b 1787 (Be32E., Be69.A.). Their selected DESC:

FDDAa. Sarah Bentley, b 5.12.1764, East Greenwich, RI Colony (Be32.I.). Identification or any indication of spouse?

FDDAB. Randall Spencer Bentley[1], d Albany, NY, bur in "Bath across the river from Albany," NY. Randall's grandson James Knowlton Bentley (**Be:FDDABBC.**) stated (Be34D.) that Randall was "Captain of a Sloop on the North River." Randall m Betsey ("Elizabeth"--?) Clark. She was b RI, d "5.6.1848 in Albany," NY; res had been in Albany, NY. Titus wrote (Be36.): Randall Bentley, "capt., Hudson R. sloop, Albany, N.Y." (b ----, d ----), m Betsey Clark, b "1769," d "1848."

In this searcher's opinion, Randall Bentley (**Be:FDDAB.**) was **not younger** than his brother William Bentley (**Be:FDDAC.**) as searchers may be led to believe from the incorrectly printed birthdate of "1768" (Be21B, 32I, 69C) for William. William's birth date can be shown to be **1.17.1773** by mathematical calculation involving the tombstone-inscription evidence, a

[1]Arnold, J.N., **Vital Record of Rhode Island**, Vol. 5, "Exeter," page 40: "2-169 Bentley, Hannah, of Caleb and Leah, (b) Feb. 12, 1766."

The name "Randall Spencer Bentley" does **not** appear in Arnold's compilation. In this searcher's opinion, the name "Hannah" was incorrectly written for "Randall" — perhaps as a copying error from an illegiible **original** to the "original" (so-called) accurately copied by Arnold. Would not either of the names "Sarah" or "Hannah" appear to be the one to omit from this family of Caleb and Leah? The name "Hannah" was the one to be omitted by this searcher largely because the five youngest children of the eight implied were designated as "3rd son of" and "2nd daughter of" and so on, meaning that the first three living children were two sons and one daughter rather than two daughters and one son. Also, the name "Hannah" too closely resembles the name "Randal," etc. Additional evidence for "Randal" as a son of Caleb and Leah was located in a document dated 1814 (Be65.A.); "Randal Bently" and William are named with their parents Caleb and Leah.

census return, and the month and day (but not the year) from a vital record (see **Be:FDDAC.**).

The name "Randall Bentley" does **not** appear in the **Vital Record of Rhode Island, 1636-1850** (neither in Be21B, 32I, nor in Be32E). Evidence of his birth date appears to be nonexistent in RI records. The original-record writer likely misinterpreted the name of "Randall" as pronounced.

Documentary evidence of aid in determining Randall's birth date, brought to this searcher's attention by Edwin Bentley of Seattle, is in the form of a tombstone inscription from Rensselaer County, NY. The quoted source was in Janet W. Foley's **Early Settlers of New York State**, Vol.3, No. 1, on page 10 (quotation verified by telephone from the librarian who obtained a copy of the same book located in the Genealogy Section of the Los Angeles Central Library, on 9.1.1977): "Capt. Randall Bentley died March 7, 1824, 51 y"[1] with the companion inscription "Betsey Bentley, wife of Capt. Randall, d May 3, 1848, 81 y"—from "cemetery in Rensselaer County" (Rensselaer Town, Rensselaer County), NY (Be69.D.).

Assuming that Randall had celebrated his **51st** birthday before he d on **3.7.1824**, two calculations can be made to obtain a period of time in which he would likely have been born: **1824.7.3** minus **51.01** and **1824.7.3** minus **51.11.30**. The period of time in which Randall was likely born, according to these mathematical calculations based on data in the tombstone inscription, extends from **7.3.1772** to **7.2.1773**. Assuming that both Randall and William had normal 9-month gestation periods, they appear to have been twins!!! Were Randall and William twins? Assumptions can be made that the tombstone inscriptions were quite possibly accurate and that Randall and William had the same mother.

Perhaps the name "Hannah" should read "Randal" (or perhaps "Randall"?) for Arnold's entry of:

"2-169 Bentley, Hannah, of Caleb and Leah, Feb. 12, 1766" (with dittoed parts spelled out).

Perhaps the name "Hannah Bently Second Daughter" should read as "Randal Bently Eldest Son" for the record on page 169 of the **Exeter Town Meeting Book—Old Book of Varieties Book 3—1743** which reads as (see photo):

"Hannah Bently Second Daughter of Caleb Bently & born of the Body of Leah his wife in Exeter February the 12th AD 1766" (Be69.C.).

"Randal Bently" of "Albany" was named in an indenture or agreement for the lease and settlement of property in RI between his brother William Bentley and their parents Caleb and Leah. One of the provisions of the docu-

[1]Could "51 y" have possibly been misinterpreted for "57 y" making the corrected birth year 1766/7 — a year close in agreement to the birth year stated for "Hannah" Bentl(e)y, a so-called daughter of Caleb and Leah? — a year close to that of his wife's birth?

ment, dated March 7, 1814, obligated William to pay "Randal" $100 within one year after their father Caleb's decease (Be65.A.).

Randall and Betsey had these 4 CH: (A) Oliver, (B) William C., (C) James R., and (d) Sabina Bentley; their DESC:

FDDABA. Oliver Bentley, no CH (Be34D, Be36.).

FDDABB. William Clark Bentley, b 1804, d 2.18.1883, Gilbertsville, Otsego Co., NY; m Caroline Peters of Hartwick, NY; 3 CH (Be34D.): Oliver, William, and James K. Bentley; were there at least 2 more CH named Cordelia (Cornelia) and Caroline? Probable descendants (their three sons are given in hypothetical sequence; two females are added as hypothetical dtrs, there being insufficient evidence available at this time to determine positively the genealogical connection) require further documentation.

Titus adds (Be36.) that William C. Bentley was an attorney, "one term in the legislature," that William and Caroline m 1824, and that Caroline was Amasa's dtr.

The following is an extract from a letter written by William Clark Bentley **(Be:FDDABB.)**, Butternuts, Otsego Co., NY, on 1.19.1861 (Be34B.1.):

> I was born in Albany, March 4, 1804. Came to reside in this town 1831, and have lived here ever since. My father's name was **Randall Bentley**. He came from R.I. His father lived and died in or near the town of Exeter, R.I.
>
> My father died in Albany, 1824. He had two brothers, **Nathan** and **William** whom I remember seeing when I was a boy. **Nathan** lived in the town of Camillus. **William** was a Baptist Clergyman and removed to Canada.
>
> There is a family of Bentleys residing in the town of Westford this Co., whom I know to be distantly related to me. The **eldest** of them was a cousin of my father and I remember my father visiting him.

Later identification and classification (made by this searcher): **William C. Bentley (Be:FDDABB.), Randall Bentley (Be:FDDAB.), Nathan Bentley (Be:FDDAD.), William Bentley (Be:FDDAC.),** and the **"eldest"** Bentley of Westford — **Rufus Bentley (Be:FDDCB.)** — son of **Thomas**.

An extract from a letter (Be34B.2.) written by James R. Bentley **(Be:FDDABC.)**, Buffalo, NY, 2.14.1861, identifies his brother William Bentley **(Be:FDDABB.)**; it also names his father's cousin:

> . . . a cousin of my father, named **Christopher Bentley**, living at Half Moon, Saratoga Co., who I think is much better posted in regard to the Bentley family than I, if he is living, and I have not heard of his death.
>
> My only brother **William Bentley** has resided at Butternuts, Otsego Co., since he was 14 years of age and still resides there.

Later identification of his father's cousin and classification:

Christopher Bentley (Be:FDDFB.), son of **Gideon**.

Another record, in the form of a letter written in 1861, was made by Isaac Bentley **(Be:FDDAE.)** of Van Buren Center, Onondaga Co., NY (Be34B.3.):

Caleb Bentley of Exeter, RI, was the father of . . .

> **Randall**, died in Albany 1824. Two sons, **James** and **William C.** . . . I am one of the sons of **Isaac.** My father and his brother **Nathan** settled here in 1810. They came from R.I.

Descendants of William Clark Bentley and his wife Caroline Peters are believed by this searcher to have been (probably in incorrect order):

FDDABBA. Oliver Carlton Bentley (Be36.), b 1826, m ca 1872, Ph(o)ebe Nash. He was an attorney in Gilbertsville, Otsego Co., NY (their res); 3 CH: Samuel, Edith, and Bertha Bentley.

FDDABBAA. Samuel S. Bentley, b ----, d 1904.

FDDABBAb. Edith Bentley, m Walter Burnell, res was Brooklyn, NY; 1 CH:

FDDABBAba. Margaret Burnell.

FDDABBAc. Bertha Bentley, trained nurse, res was NY City (Be36.).

FDDABBB. William Peters Bentley (Be36.), m 1898, Mary L. McGraw; res was St. Louis, MO.

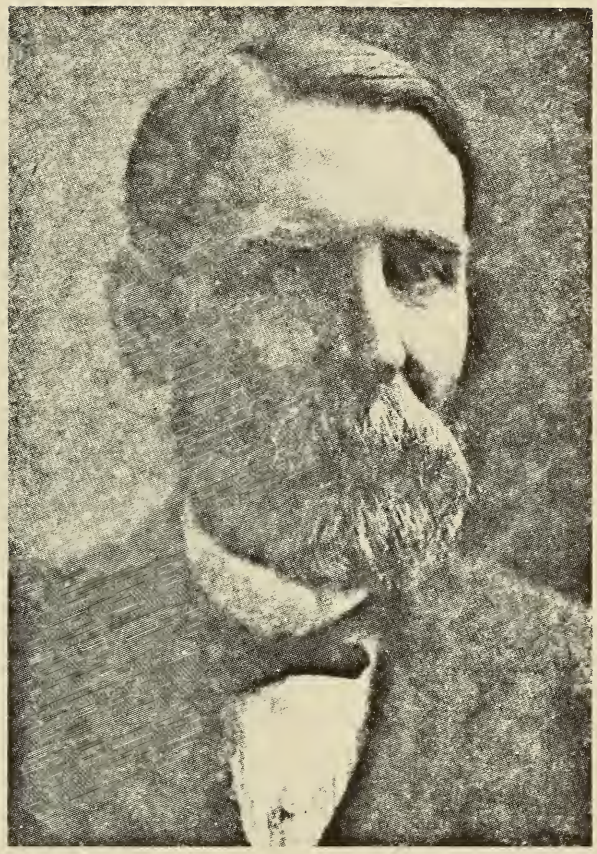
FDDABBC. James Knowlton Bentley (Be34C.), b 2.2.1846, Gilbertsville, Otsego Co., NY; Doctor of Medicine, University of Buffalo graduate of 2.26.1867; a past president of the Scranton Board of Health, Scranton, PA; member of the 41st Regiment, NY National Guard, during the Civil War; resided successively in Waverly, Parsons, Waverly, Scranton, Pa. At the age of 82 in 1927, he was still practicing his profession doing quite a large office-practice, according to his daughter Margaret. James was m 3.23.1870, Waverly, PA, to Elizabeth Anne La Bar, b 1.23.1835, Plainsville, Luzerne Co., PA, dtr of William La Bar and Margaret Tedrick. Elizabeth d 12.27.1909, Scranton, PA (Be34.c.). Elizabeth had been a widow ("Carter") before her marriage to James K. (Be36.).

Written on obverse side of the "Genealogical Record" in the space provided for "Additional Memoranda," were the **names (Be34.C.) of JKB's great-grandfather Caleb's five sons, twelve grandsons, and twenty great-grandsons. In addition to this James stated that Caleb and Gideon Bentley were brothers. He named Clark Bentley as a son of Gideon.** The accuracy of his comments has been verified by this searcher.[1]

His biography was printed in **1933** as follows (Be63.):

> **BENTLEY, James Knowlton**, physician and surgeon, was born in Gilbertsville, NY, Feb. 2, 1846, son of William Clarke and Caroline

[1] Caleb Bentley **(Be:FDDA.)** and Gideon Bentley **(Be:FDDF.)**.



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James Knowlton Bentley, M.D., **Be:FDDABBC.**

(Peters) Bentley. From **William Bentley**, who emigrated from Lancashire, England, to Exeter, RI, in 1675, **the paternal ancestry descends through Thomas, Benjamin, Caleb, Randall S., William Clarke and James Knowlton Bentley.**[1] He was educated at the Gilbertsville Collegiate Institute and was graduated at the medical school of the University of Buffalo in 1867. He practiced two years in Flint, MI, and six years in Waverly, PA, and in 1875 settled in Scranton, PA, where he remained until his death. He acquired a large general practice and was unusually successful as a diagnostician rarely failing to discern the cause of sickness. In obstetrics, which became a specialty with him, he is said not to have lost a patient in the sixty years of his professional career. He was a member of the Scranton board of health during 1890-1900, and its president two years, and was also president of the associated boards of health of Lackawanna county. Always interested in any public health movement, Dr. Bentley labored unceasingly for the improvement of the

[1]J.K.B.'s patrilineal trace for seven generations has been verified as perfect by this searcher. This searcher disagrees with the stated places and time; evidence available now indicates ". . . born in Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England, to Kingstown, RI, before 1679 . . ." That part of Kingstown probably became part of Exeter.

Scranton water system and due to his efforts the water shed was made sanitary. He was a member of the American Medical Association and the state medical society, Lackawanna county medical societies, the Masonic order and the Episcopal church. Dr. Bentley was courageous and fearless under all circumstances and a man of unvarying kindness. He was married Mar. 23, 1870, to Elizabeth Anne, daughter of William La Bar of Waverly, and they had one daughter, Margaret La Bar Bentley. He died in Scranton, PA, Feb. 10, 1928.

James and Elizabeth had one dtr:

FDDABBCa. Margaret LaBar Bentley, b 1.25.1871, Waverly, PA, unmarried "housewife," recording secretary for the Home for the Friendless, a past section-president of the "Needle Work Guild," and a past-secretary and past-treasurer of the Church Aid Society. Her res (1927): 1713 Church Ave., Scranton, PA (Be34C.). She was living with her father in 1927.

Searcher's note: identification and classification of these probable descendants whose names immediately follow are uncertain for the time being:

FDDABBd. Emily Amalia Bentley (Be36.), m George Washington Hays, d 1905; res was Oak Park, IL; 3 CH (Be36.):

FDDABBdA. George W. Hays, b 1862.

FDDABBdB. James Bentley Hays, b 1865.

FDDABBdc. Lillian Bentley Hays, b 1879.

FDDABBe. Cordelia Augusta Bentley, m Dr. Nathan Lest; res (was): Gilbertsville, Otsego Co., NY (Be36.). "Cornelia A. Bentley," m 3.3.1857, Butternuts Otsego Co., NY, N. Y. Leet, M.D. (Be398C.).

FDDABBf. Caroline C. Bentley, m 10.29.1856, Butternuts, Otsego Co., NY, Col. Sam B. Johnson (their positive ident.?) (Be398C.) (further evidence required before acceptance can be made) (classification, only very tentative).

FDDABC. James Randall Bentley, according to Titus (Be36.), was b 1806, d 1870; his wife (typescript of name, obliterated) was b 1807, d 1893; res was Buffalo, NY. From the illegible microfilm copy, names are not discernible; but by interpolating the numbers preceding and following the individual names on the page one would be persuaded to believe that James had two younger offspring who d inf or d young.

James R. Bentley wrote a letter (Be34B.) dated 2.14.1860, Buffalo, NY, stating that his grandfather was **Caleb Bentley** of Rhode Island and the father of the five sons as named by other descendants of Caleb who also independently corresponded with Rev. Bentley. Copies of extracts (obtained by Mrs. Alfred H. Beach of Casper, WY, ca 1925, from the Rev.'s dtr-in-law) were sent to Mary Lovering Holman who deposited them with her data in the "Bentley Safe-Ms." reposing in the NEHGS Library, Boston.

James Knowlton Bentley, James Randall Bentley's nephew, reported in 1927 (Be34.C.), with the aid of his dtr Margaret, the following: James R. Bentley m Cornelia Herrick of Albany, NY; JRB d Buffalo, NY; their son:

FDDABCA. George Bentley, m and had two CH:

FDDABCAA. Charles S. Bentley, Corona Ave., Pelham, NY (res before 1927). His second-cousin MLB stated (Be34.D.) ". . . (Charles) wrote me that he had just visited the graves of his great-grandfather and great-grandmother near Albany."

FDDABCAb. Cornelia Bentley.

According to Cornelia's second-cousin Margaret L. Bentley (Be34.D.),

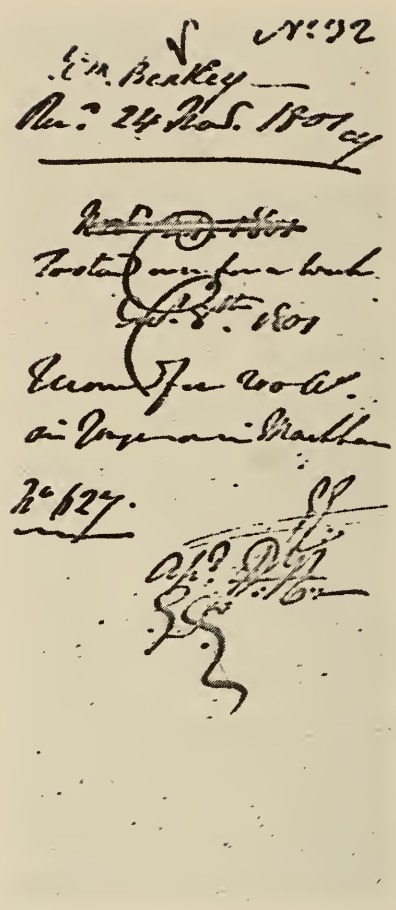
> Cornelia Bentley Sage Quinton was for some time the only woman director of a large art institution. She was very successful as director of the Albright Art Gallery in Buffalo. She is the granddaughter of James R. Bentley and is now Director of the Palace of the Legion of Honor in San Francisco, Calif. (1927).

FDDABd. Sabina Bentley, d Buffalo, NY, m Hosea Knowlton, "Merchant of Albany, NY," according to MLB **(Be:FDDABBCa.)** (Be34.D.).

FDDAC. William Bentley was b 1.17.1773, Exeter, RI Colony, contrary to the more commonly quoted date of 1.17.1768. The source of the perpetuated error is to be found in James N. Arnold's **Vital Record of Rhode Island, 1636-1850**, Vol. 5 (Be21B, 32I, Be69.). William Bentley (Be:FDDAC.) is William (5) (Caleb (4), Benjamin (3), Thomas (2), William (1)) Bentl(e)y. He is a well-documented descendant of progenitor William, his second-great grandfather.

William Bentley's correct birthday can be determined by comparing the data from three sources and by making a simple mathematical calculation. In the **1804** CR by Berczy (Be13B and Appendix F) for Markham (Markham Twp., York Co., Province of Ontario, Dominion of Canada, as it is presently known), William's age is given as **30** years. If "30" is subtracted from "1804" (year of the Census **Report**), the year of birth appears to be 1774 ca. Wrong! A date of **1773** is more accurate. One knows that this date is true by making the comparison of calculated birth-dates of individuals named in the CR with birth-dates for those same individuals whose dates are known from other sources. Corroborative evidence was sent by mail to this searcher from Edwin Bentley of Seattle in the form of William Bentley's tombstone inscription (Be67.). William died on **4.28.1836**, at the age of **63 y, 3 m, 11 days.** By subtracting 3 from 4, 11 from 28, and 63 from 1836, we obtain the solution to our problem. The answer of **1.17.1773** is the birthday of William Bentley. Although Arnold's date of William's birth year has been shown to be incorrect, Arnold's recorded month and day **are** correct--**January 17th** (Be21B, Be32I).

A complete copy of **Upper Canada Land Petition (RG-1, L-3) B5/32** follows for **William Bentl(e)y, Be:FDDAC. (Be15.B.).**



To His Excellency Peter Hunter Esquire
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In Council
The Petition of William Bentley — of Markham
Humbly sheweth

That your petitioner came into the Province about a year ago, with his family, now consisting of Five children, his wife having died about two months ago —

That your petitioner has a yoke of oxen — a Cow — farming utensils and other property —
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William Bentley (signature)

York, 24 Nov. 1801.
Petition Cover:
W'm Bentley, Rec. 24 Nov. 1801, No. 32. To stand. . . for a week. Dec. 8th, 1801. Recommended for 200 A's on Yonge or in Markham No. 627. Ap'd (followed by official's signature)

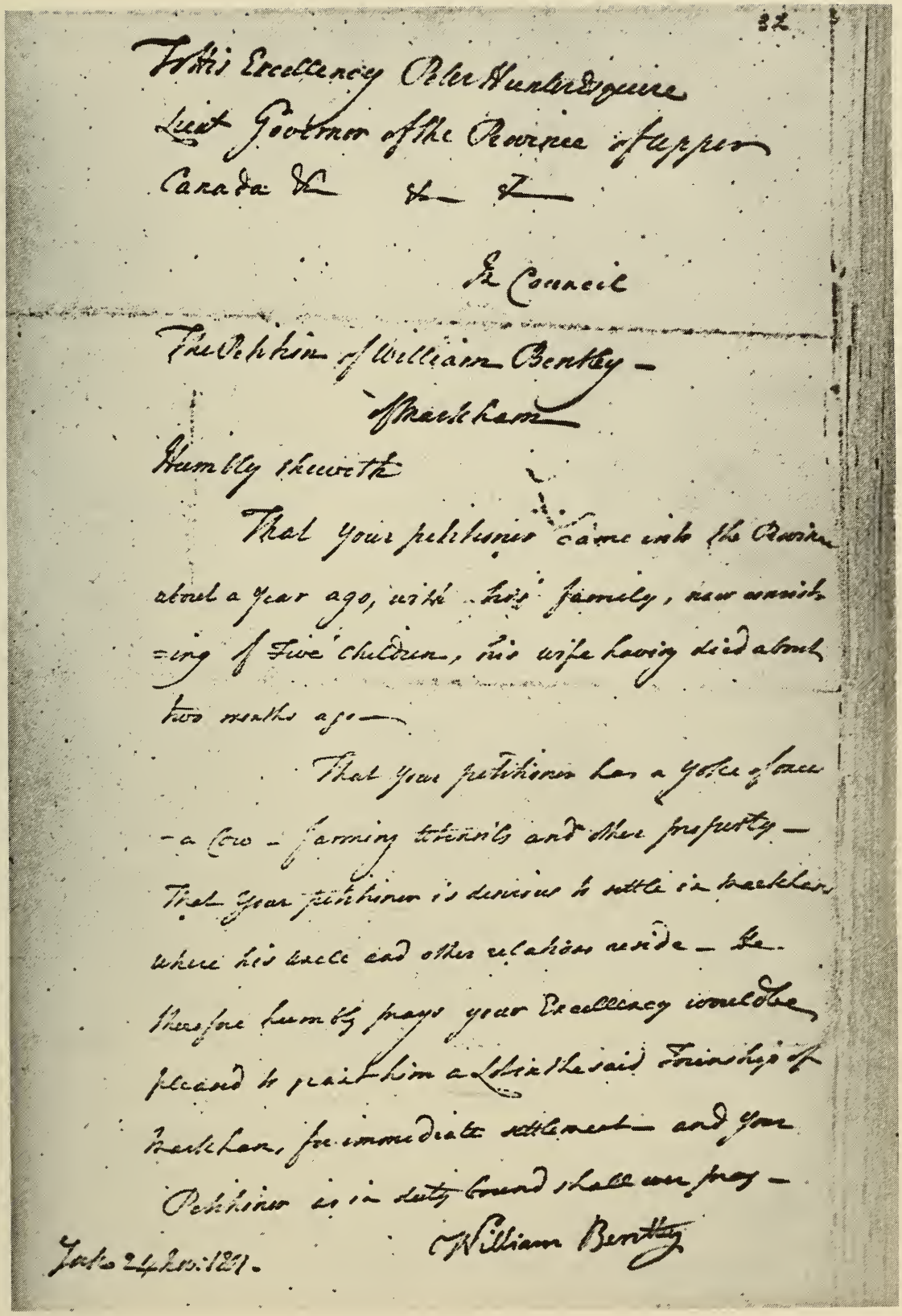
William Bentley **(Be:FDDAC.),** who was the nephew of SAMUEL BENTL(E)Y **(Be:FDDD.),** is named in a CR and in records of real estate transactions in Markham Twp. York Co., Ontario (near Milliken).

(1) William Bentley stated on November 24, 1801, that his uncle and other relations were residing in Markham, that his family consisted of five children, and that his wife died two months earlier (Be15B.).

(2) William Bentley, abstract of deed for Lot 4 of Con. 5, Markham, 12.24.1802; O. C. date: 12.8.1802 (Be16A.) (see also Be66.).

(3) William Bentley, age "30" (1804 CR), b 1773 ca; wife Anna, "30," b 1773 ca; **his** 3 CH named: Hanna Bentley, "9," b 1794 ca; Gardner, "6," b 1797 ca; and Randel Bentley, "3," b 1800 ca; res (1804): Lot 3 of Con. 5, Markham Twp, Old York Co. (Ontario, Canada). (Berczy 1804 CR for Markham) (Be13B. and Appendix F).

(4) William Bentley received Lot 4 of Con. 5, Markham, from the Crown. Names in transactions: Wm Bentley to Samuel Bentley, **Jr.,** 1824-25; Wm



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York 24th Nov: 1821.

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Fifth Concession

Courtesy of the Public Archives of Canada.

Bentley to Randall S. Bentley, 1830; Wm Bentley to Joseph Armstrong: Randall S. Bentley and wife, 1840 (Be16D.).

(5) William Bentley, regarding Lot 3 of Con. 5, Markham. On 1.5.1809, SAMUEL BENTLEY, grantor, of Twp of Markham, to "William Bentley, **Taylor,** York Co." William Bentley, **1824,** to Randall S. Bentley — between **William Bentley of Twp of West Greenwich in County of Kent in State of Rhode Island, yeoman, and Randall S. Bentley of Markham Twp, York County, Home District;** witnessed by Aschel Fish of Markham Twp and George Barclay, minister of Twp of Pickering, Elder. In 1830, William Bentley to Randle S. Bentley.

The Rhode Island documents of importance bearing the names of both William Bentley **(Be:FDDAC.)** and his father Caleb Bentley **(Be:FDDA.)** are (1) Be32I., (2) Be65A., (3) Be65B., and (4) Be69A.

Written testimony identifying William Bentley **(Be:FDDAC.)** follows:

(1) Isaac Bentley (Jr.) **(Be:FDDAEG.),** in 1861, made the statement for the record that William Bentley, Caleb's son, "was a Baptist preacher and went to Canada where he died, leaving two sons, Randal and Gardner (Be34B.3.).

(2) William Clark Bentley **(Be:FDDABB.),** in his deposition of 1.19.1861, related, ". . . father's name was Randall Bentley. . . He had two brothers, Nathan and William whom I remember seeing when I was a boy. . . William was a Baptist Clergyman and removed to Canada. . ." (Be34B.1.).

(3) James R. Bentley **(Be:FDDABC.),** in his letter of 2.14.1860, to Edward W. Bentley (Rev.), wrote: "My grandfather, Caleb Bentley settled in R. I. . . . had five sons William, Randall, Nathan, Isaac, and Spencer. William settled in Toronto. . . Randall, my father, settled in Albany, NY" (Be34B.2.).

(4) Mrs. L. W. (Emma Eliza Bentley) Miller **(Be:FDDACFEc.)** (see), ca 1926, in a letter in Cora M. Beach's possession (at that time) (Be34B.4.), wrote:

> My grandfather, Randall Spencer Bentley was born in Rhode Island, April 10, 1800, son of William and Hannah Bentley. My

great grandparents, William and Hannah, are buried on the old place, Markham, Ontario, which was reserved by grandfather. . .

From the limited amount of information of genealogical importance appearing in the available sources, this searcher draws the conclusion that of the assumed total number of six children of William Bentley, five were living on Nov. 24, 1801, and three of these had their names recorded in the 1804 Berczy CR for Markham, leaving three other children of William's unaccounted for. Did one die young before Nov. 24, 1801? Did two others die between the time William petitioned for UC land and the date that the CR for Markham was taken? Were any of the three unaccounted-for-children living in another household on the enumeration date for the "1804 Berczy-CR" and not recorded in the CR for either William or anyone else? The children of William living with him and his **second** wife Anna were 9, 6, and 3 years of age, as indicated on the 1804 CR. The order of birth of these **six** CH can only be hypothetical at this time. William's wife (first one) had died just two months before he petitioned for Upper Canada land (Be15.B., Be13.B.). Perhaps one of William's living descendants has a copy of the **Bible** transcription-record for his offspring and is willing to share the information.

William Bentley m **first** Hannah Gardner, b 12.3.1780, East Greenwich (?). His wife d ca September 1801, according to husband William's quotation as written "died two months earlier" dated 11.24.1801, Markham (Be15B.). Sometime after 11.24.1801, but before 1804, William m **secondly** "Anna," b ca 1773 (Be13B.); res (1829): West Greenwich, RI, "Anna Bentley the wife" (Be250.).

William Bentley, by his first marriage, had these 6 CH (Be34.B.4.):

(A) Isaac Bentley, died young;

(b) Bessie (Elizabeth) Bentley, d young;

(c) Clara Bentley, d young;

(d) Hannah Bentley, b ca 1794, d 1872, m James L. Brock (?).

(E) Gardner (William Gardner) Bentley, b ca 1797, d Lapeer Co., MI.

(F) Randall Spencer Bentley, b 3/4.10.1800, d 10.13.1893, m **first** 6.13.1822, to Jane Barclay, b 8.22.1803, d 6.7.1838, m **secondly** 12.12.1838, to Mrs. Helen (Ogilvie) Scott, b 1804, d 4.18.1880.

According to Dr. Frank Titus (Be36.):

William Bentley, b 1768, b 1766[1], d 1836, "R.I. and Canada, Toronto"--m Hannah ----, b ----, d 1802[2] (all typescript legible) (Titus:4-74). The three CH[3] named for William Bentley and Hannah:

[1]William Bentley's corrected birth year is 1773.

[2]Hannah's corrected death year is 1801.

[3]Five of William's CH were living in 1801, but only three were accounted for in 1803/4.

(1) Gardner Bentley (blank for b, m, d) (Titus:5-246).

(2) Randall Spencer Bentley, b 1800, d 1893 (in) "Elgin, Canada; Lvd. in R. I. and then in Markham, Ont." (Titus:5-247).

(3) Hannah Bentley, b ----, d ----, m ---- Brock, lived in "Brock Co., Ont., Canada."[1]

According to James Calvin Bentley **(Be:FDDACEHCC.) (Be275.):**

William Bentley was born at Exeter, RI, 1.17.1768. He died at Markham, Ontario (north of Toronto near Pickering) 4.28.1836. About 1793, he was married to Hannah Gardiner (Feb. 4, 1763?--April --, 1802). The children of William and Hannah were:

(1) Hannah (1794—1872). She m James Layton of Brock, Ontario.[2]

(2) William Gardiner (1797—1859), my father Roy's gf.

(3) Bessie — d young.

(4) Clara — d young.

(5) Isaac — d young.

(6) Randall Spencer. He was b in RI, April 10, 1800, and d at Bradley, SD, Oct. 13, 1893. Randall m Jane Barclay at Pickering, Ontario, Jan. 13, 1822. They had seven CH: Lavina, William, Maria, Nancy, George, Jane, Randall Spencer Jr. On June 7, 1838, Randall's wife Jane d. On Dec. 12, 1838, he m Helen (Ogilvie) Scott, a widow (1804—April 8, 1880), who had a son and a daughter. Randall and Helen had three CH: Helen, James, and Isaac (Dr.). **Several of these descendants have been helpful in furnishing this material.**

William Bentley came to Markham Twp., Ontario, with his young family in October, 1800. About 1802 in April, his wife Hannah (Gardiner) Bentley d. In the Summer of 1806, William returned to West Greenwich to assist his father Caleb, now 67, on his farm. Since his three surviving children were all less than 12 years old at the time, it seems reasonable to presume that they accompanied him. At any rate it is known that from 1808 until June, 1819, William's son Randall worked in a cotton mill at Coventry, RI. In June of 1819, Randall and another young man walked back to Markham, Ont., a distance of about 700 miles. The trip took four weeks.

On December 17, 1825, William's father Caleb died and January 23, 1826, his mother Elizabeth Leah died. During the summer of 1826, he returned from Rhode Island to Markham, Ont. He died

[1]Reference is probably to Brock Twp., Ontario Co., Ontario, Canada; "Brock Co." is unknown or nonexistent. See the addition and correction (James Layton of Brock Twp.) (Leighton?).

[2]According to Mrs. E. B. M. (Be:FDDACFEc.), who probably meant Brock Twp, Ontario Co., Ontario.

there April 28, 1836. He is buried on the Family Farm, Lot No. 3, 6th Concession."[1]

FDDACA. Isaac Bentley, "died young" (?) (Be34.B.4., Be275.).

FDDACb. Bessie (Elizabeth) Bentley, believed to have died young (?) (Be34.B.4., Be275.).

FDDACc. Clara Bentley, believed to have died young (?) (Be34.B.4., Be275.).

Please note: two of the three preceding names are likely for two of William's five children living on November 24, 1801 (Be15.B.); the name of the unidentified third of the three preceding or the name of the "sixth child," likely deceased before November 24, 1801, assuming the "sixth" was born, will probably remain unknown for a long time. Documentation of the births of the three children who are named above is sorely needed.

FDDACd. Hannah Bentley (Be13.B., Be15.B., Be34.B.4., Be.36., Be275.); b 1794 (Be34.B.4., Be275.); b ca 1794, calc. from age "9" years in 1804 CR (Be13.B.); d 1872 (Be34.B.4., Be275.); m James L. Brock, Ontario (Be34.b.4.); m ---- Brock, res prob. Brock Twp. (not "Co." as it appears), Ontario Co., Ontario, Canada (Be36.); m "James Layton" of Ontario (Be275.) — quoting Emma (Bentley) Miller **(Be:FDDACFEc.)**. Hannah's CH:

FDDACda. (anon.) dtr of James (Be34.B.); either anon. Layton or anon. Brock (?) (Be275.).

FDDACE. William Gard(i)ner Bentley, b RI (Be274.); b NY (Be273.); b probably RI (Be275.); b 7.29.1797, d 7.22.1859 (Be275.); b 7.29.1799, "family **Bible**" transcription record of JCB's; b 1797 ca (calc. from age "6" in 1804) (Be13.B.); age "49" in 1850 CR (Be273.); age "61" in 1860 CR (enum. 8.15.1860) (Be274.); d Lapeer Co., MI (according to Mrs. L. W. Miller nee Emma Eliza Bentley **(Be:FDDACFEc.)**. "Gardner" lived in Lapeer Co., MI (Be36.). Was he the same "William G. Bentley," who was made a freeman in West Greenwich, Aug. 28, 1827, as "eldest son" (Be246.)?

According to the Census Reports of 1850 and of 1860 for Lapeer Co., MI, he was the "William Bentley" on one (Be273.) and the "William G. Bentley" on the other (Be274.). These names for "Gard(i)ner Bentley" were verified by a living descendant, James C. Bentley (Be275.).

According to J.C.B. (Be275.):

> William Gardiner Bentley was born July 29, 1797, probably in RI. As previously related he moved with his family to Markham, Ontario, when he was only three years old. His mother died when he was five. When he was nine he probaby returned to RI with his father to live with his grandparents, Caleb and Leah.

[1]Compare with the possible source of the above, namely Duncan Sinclair's ms. for Randall Spencer Bentley **(Be:FDDACF.)** (Be61.).

William G. married Hannah Sweet. She must have been from RI because I have a letter dated Mar. 20, 1873, from Yawgoo, RI, to William G.'s son Calvin from his cousin Sarah E. Sweet.

I do not know where William G. and Hannah lived from the time they left RI. It would seem reasonable to guess that they lived with William, William G.'s father, at Markham, Ontario, until his death in 1836. At any rate William Gardiner Bentley and his family moved to Washington in Macomb Co., MI, about 1840. In 1847, he moved to Oregon Twp, Lapeer Co., MI.

William G. Bentley is buried in a small cemetery in Oregon Twp. on the west end of Reamer Road. This road is located about a mile north of the Lapeer State Home and Training School. According to the headstone, he died July 22, 1859. His son William R. Bentley, who d Feb. 12, 1850, was buried in the same lot. Since Hannah died in 1851, it would seem logical that she might also be buried there. However, Dad (H. Roy Bentley) and I were unable to find any trace of it when we searched the lot in 1950. Our inspection should not be regarded as conclusive as the lot was thickly overgrown with underbrush (Be275.).

According to Titus, Gardner's CH were (1) (anon. son) Bentley, (2) Gilbert Bentley, (3) Daniel Bentley, "last heard of in Kansas City, MO, 1884," had a dtr Pauline Bentley, and (4) John Bentley, "lawyer, last heard of in St. Paul," MN (Be36.).

In his ms. (Be275.), James C. Bentley, W. G. B.'s great-grandson, relates: "According to a newspaper clipping, John S. and Daniel S. were the only two of this family still living at the time of Calvin's death in 1888. Daniel was living at Kansas City, MO; John at St. Paul, MN" (Be276.).

William Gard(i)ner Bentley m **first** Hannah Sweet, b 12.15.1805, d 12.11.1851; their nine CH were (Be275.): (a.) Ama, (B.) Daniel S., (C.) William R., (D.) Albert, (E.) Isaac, (F.) John S., (g.) Sarah, (H.) Calvin Henry, and (I.) Gilbert Bentley. After Hannah's death in 1851, William Gard(i)ner Bentley m **secondly** Harriet (----) Bradshaw (Be275.), a mother of at least four CH, who was b ca 1817, NY (Be274.), and they had two CH: (J.) William A. Bentley and (K.) Newel(l) Bentley. William Gard(i)ner Bentley's selected DESC (Be275.):

FDDACEa. Ama Bentley, b 10.28.1829, d before 1888.

FDDACEB. Daniel S. Bentley, b 10.28.1831, res (1884-88): Kansas City, MO; m anon. spouse; CH:

FDDACEBa. Pauline Bentley (Be36.).

FDDACEC. William Randall Bentley, b 6.6.1832, d 2.12.1850, bur. on family lot at the west end of Reamer Rd, Elba Twp. Lapeer Co., MI.

FDDACED. Albert Bentley, b 4.15.1833, d young.

FDDACEE. Isaac Bentley, b 3.12.1835, d young.

FDDACEF. John S. Bentley, b 4.3.1837 (Be275.), "lawyer, last heard of in St. Paul," MN, in 1884 (Be36.); "at St. Paul, MN," in 1888 (Be275.).

FDDACEg. Sarah Bentley, b 9.17.1841, d young.

FDDACEH. Calvin Henry Bentley, b 8.16.1844, Washington, Macomb Co., d 7.14.1888, Lapeer, MI, bur. Mt. Hope Cem. there with the G.A.R. Star adorning his grave.

When he was only seven, his mother Hannah died. When he was about eleven, his father remarried. He lived with his father and stepmother and their two small children until his father's death in 1859, just before he became fifteen. He was left homeless by the event of his father's death (Be275.). James C. B. comments:

> Whether this means that he was turned out by his stepmother or whether he left by his own choice is not clear. At any rate he went to school in Lapeer until he enlisted in the Union Army in the fall of 1861. He was mustered in at Flint in January, 1862.
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> In February, 1864, at a small place in Georgia, he re-enlisted, serving until the end of the Civil War. He was discharged at Louisville, 7.19.1865, as a sergeant in the Union Army nearly a month before his 21st birthday.
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> Not much has been passed on to later generations regarding Calvin's three and a half years service in the Union Army. We do know that he participated in Sherman's 'march to the sea.' My grandmother showed me a type of steak knife which he brought home as a sovenir. She also told me how the women threw scalding water from the second story windows at the Union Troops as they marched through the streets of the Southern towns.
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> However, my most vivid recollection is of a penciled diary which I found among my grandmother's possessions. It was an account of how a small group of Union troops were trapped in a gully by the Confederates. The sun's heat was terrific and they had no water. Those who tried to escape were promptly shot. Their plight seemed hopeless, but somehow they managed to hold out until the advent of darkness under the cover of which they escaped.
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> After leaving the Union Army, Calvin returned to Lapeer where he worked for Mrs. Wrigglesworth on her farm, located at the corner of Oregon Road and Millville Road about half a mile north of the Lapeer State Home. Here Calvin met Anna Wrigglesworth, the daughter of his employer. Calvin and Anna were m 4.11.1869; she died a short time later (Be275.), she d 1871 (Be408.C.).

On March 6, 1873, Calvin was married **secondly** to Harriet Perthania Smith, b 11.20.1850, d 2.25.1923, a former school teacher, daughter of George L. and Harriet M. (Hughson) Smith. "Calvin and Harriet," James relates,

> lived on the Wrigglesworth place working the farm and taking care of Mrs. Wrigglesworth until her death (after 1877). After her death,

Calvin ran a general store in Lapeer for a short time. He also bought the Reamer Farm on Oregon Rd. He did not make a success of either of them for the reason that his health was bad; he had contracted tuberculosis while in the army. Between 1877 and 1888, he purchased and moved into the house west of Lapeer across from the Lapeer State Home where he was living at the time of his death. Harriet continued to live there until her death in 1923, and his son Roy was living there (1954).

Calvin and Harriet had these four CH (Be275.): (A.) Edwin C., (B.) Park S., (C.) Henry R., and (D.) Fred E. Bentley: selected DESC:

FDDACEHA. Edwin Carleton Bentley, b 12.14.1873, d inf.

FDDACEHB. Park Smith Bentley, b 5.13.1875, d inf.

FDDACEHC. Henry **Roy** Bentley, b 6.12.1877, Lapeer, MI, d of emphysema, 10.--.1959, bur. in Bentley family plot, Mount Hope Cem., Lapeer, MI. At the age of eleven, after the death of his father, he had to work to help support the family. Roy was graduated from Lapeer High School.

Roy's son James wrote:

When Roy was nineteen he became an employee at the Michigan Home and Training School (the name then), an institution for keeping and educating feeble minded wards of the State. This institution was then in its infancy. Roy worked there for 52 years until his retirement at age 71 years in 1948. He was very active in helping to build it up to its size in 1954, accomodating more than 5,000 occupants.

He started off as an attendant at one of the inmate cottages, worked for a while as a helper at the Hospital, and then switched to a job as foreman for buildings and grounds. In addition to maintenance he also supervised the construction of many of the buildings, roads, sewerage plant, power plant, etc.

At the 'Institution' Roy met and courted Alice Matilda Grace, b 1882, d 1935. She was a nurse at the Hospital. Her parents were James and Esterella (Jackson) Grace, both b in England. They had moved to Detroit and later to East Chicago, IN, where her father was a foreman in the Inland Steel Co. Alice took her nurse's training at Harper's Hospital, Detroit, MI.

Roy and Alice were married August 7, 1907. They lived with Roy's mother in the home at the corner of Davison and Millville Roads, opposite the Institution at Lapeer. Alice suffered from a kidney ailment which forced her to live in a guarded manner during the last 20 years of her life. Nevertheless she was very energetic, and she accomplished a great deal considering the delicate state of her health. I would describe her as a woman of character and intelligence who reflected her English lineage. Her remains were buried in the Mt. Hope Cemetery, Lapeer. However, she lives on in her four children and their progeny.

After his retirement, Roy devoted himself chiefly to farming (Be275.).

Roy and Alice had these four CH: (a.) Jeanette G., (B.) Harry R., (C.) James C., and (D.) Frederick F. Bentley; their selected DESC:

FDDACEHCa. Jeanette Grace Bentley, b 6.3.1908, Lapeer, MI, d 6.4.1970, of cystic kidneys and anemia, Flint, MI, bur. Bentley plot, Mount Hope Cem., Lapeer. After high school graduation, Jean attended Lapeer County Normal School, where she earned a teaching credential. After studying for a year at Ypsilanti State Teachers College, she accepted a teaching position in Royal Oak, suburb of Detroit. She later obtained a position teaching in the Clover (Country) School, located just a mile west of her father's home at the corner of Davison and Millville Roads. After teaching there several years, she took a position teaching mentally retarded students at the Lapeer State Home, a position she held until her retirement (Be275.).

FDDACEHCB. Harry Roy Bentley, b 11.5.1909, Lapeer, MI, d 6.9.1975, Cedar Key, FL (bur.); m Prudence Foster, b Marshall, MN. Prudence was graduated from the University of Michigan with a degree in Psychology. After graduation she became a psychologist at the Lapeer State Home where she met Harry.

Harry's brother James stated: After graduation from high school in 1927, he went to Michigan State College where he received a degree in Mechanical Engineering. He was employed as a surveyor for the Francis Engineering Company in Michigan for one or two years and then obtained a position as city engineer of Lansing, MI. After this he joined the Chrysler Motor Corporation with which he remained until retirement. He lived a few years in Evanston, IL, then moved to Detroit where he was assigned to the Highland Park Plant. His last assignment was as plant manager for the Dodge plant at Trenton south of Detroit. At this time he and his family lived on Grosse Ile.

In 1967, Harry learned that he had cystic kidneys, an affliction which had been in the family for at least three generations. With the assistance of a dialysis machine to assist his kidneys, he lived on for eight more years. In 1970, he retired and he and Prudence moved to Cedar Key, FL, where they built a home. He died there in 1975. Prudence and their daughter Sharon moved to Ben Lomond, CA, located near to their son David and family residing in Berkeley. (Be275.).

Harry and Prudence had three CH: (a.) Sharon, (B.) David, and (C.) Richard Bentley.

FDDACEHCBa. Sharon Bentley, b----, lived with her parents and then with her mother, unm.

FDDACEHCBB. David Bentley, m Marianne, CH:

FDDACEHCBBa. Adrienne Page Bentley, b 1970.

FDDACEHCBC. Richard Bentley, earned a bachelor's degree at Williams College, did graduate work at the Univ. of Colorado, Boulder. He was awarded a doctorate in nuclear physics. His **first** m ended in div.; he and his **second** wife moved to Boston to work in the nuclear field after a time at the Nuclear Physics Lab. at Los Alamos, NM.

James Calvin Bentley (**FDDACEHCC.**), Gulf Breeze, FL (1978 res.) (Be275.), in the introduction to his Bentley family genealogy, wrote the following, while a student at the Naval War College (early 1950's).

> Here at the beginning of this paper it might be appropriate to ask why anyone would be interested in tracing his ancestry. I have asked myself that question many times while collecting, collating and cataloguing the material for this account. The question reminds me of the story of the woman at the Zoo who asked the keeper about the sex of the hippopotamus. "Madame," he replied, "that could be of interest only to another hippopotamus." In a like manner, it seems to me, the story of the Bentley Family could be of interest only to another Bentley. Nevertheless, I have found the process of preparing this brief treatise to be an interesting and absorbing pastime, and I hope that you other Bentleys find some enjoyment in the fruits of my labors too.
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> I became interested in our family genealogy quite by accident when I came upon a small box containing several photographs, albums, marriage certificates, letters and pages from family Bibles giving records of births and deaths. With this material in hand I thought it might be fun to try to establish a sketch of the Family Tree. However, I was unable to trace it farther back than my great-grandfather. The fact that one of the letters stated that one of the relatives had a sketch that went back to 1600 offered somewhat of a challenge.
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> This happened more than 20 years ago. In the intervening time I have added more and more to my store of notes. The libraries contain many records of the early Bentleys of Rhode Island. The similarity between the given names of the Michigan Bentleys and those of the Rhode Island Bentleys plus statements by Dad (Roy) and his relatives that the Michigan group came from Rhode Island all indicated that we were descended from the Rhode Island branch. But how to prove it? The difficulty, as I found out later, was that Dad's great-grandfather William lived in Ontario, and there were few records available regarding him or his parents and where they came from.
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> The riddle was finally solved by two of my contributors, to whom I am greatly indebted, C. Eugene Bentley of Redwood City, CA,[1] and Earle Winston of Clermont, FL.[2] They confirmed that William was

[1]C. Eugene Bentley (**Be:FDDAEII.**).

[2]Earl Winston (**Be:FDCDDdBDB.**).

the son of Caleb Bentley of Rhode Island, and they furnished me with a great deal of other interesting, authentic, and carefully documented information. With the help of these two gentlemen I have been able to establish the thread of our genealogy to my satisfaction back to 1600. I have catalogued my material and prepared a book full of exhibits in chronological order for the purpose of establishing the authenticity of the statements which I am about to make in this document. Further the time has come to record the story, so that the account may be inspected, verified and added to by those who have recollections and written information which may add life and color to what otherwise might become a dry, factual account.

My research has shown me how the succeeding generations of Bentleys have participated in the development of America. In a sense the history of the Bentley Family is the history of America. The Bentleys arrived with the early settlers. They helped pioneer the country. They paticipated in the French and Indian Wars, the Revolution, the Civil War and World War II. They were farmers when the country was predominantly agricultural, and they have branched out into other pursuits now that the economic structure of the United States is better developed and far more complex. My records have not disclosed the names of any Bentley that could be called really outstanding. On the other hand the Bentleys as a whole appear to have been sturdy, industrious people and, without any exception I know, reliable, law-abiding citizens. Looking back over the past three hundred and fifty years I think it could be safely asserted that the Bentley stock has been good stock.

This searcher's comments: although James and this searcher are not in agreement on various points, primary documentary evidence is continually coming to our attention, enabling us to correctly place the previously missing pieces or misplaced pieces of our mutual puzzle. Regarding the English source and positive identification of our Bentley-family progenitor, we both agree more evidence in England is desirable. James comments, "Off hand I expect to find that your version is the correct one as it agrees with a note I have from Emma Bentley[1] written in 1916. She was a granddaughter of Randall S.Bentley.[2] In the note she alleged that John Bunyan was a(n)--?--- uncle. She gave no authentication."

FDDACEHCC. James Calvin Bentley, b 10.30.1911, Lapeer, MI. James C. Bentley's own narration follows.

Jim was born in Lapeer, MI, and attended public schools in Lapeer. He spent a year at Michigan State College (1929-30), went to the U.S. Naval Academy (1930-34), graduated and became a commissioned officer in the Navy.

[1]Emma Bentley (**Be:FDDACFEc.**), "Mrs. L.W. Miller," George Barclay Bentley's dtr.

[2]Randall S. Bentley, Sr. (**Be:FDDACF.**), Emma's gf.

U.S. Naval Captain James Calvin Bentley, **Be:FDDACEHCC.,** b October 30, 1911, Lapeer, MI.

After this he spent five years (1934-39) in the **U.S.S. New Orleans** (cruiser) chiefly as an engineer. From 1939-40, he was in the **Wasmuth** (high-speed minesweeper) as Communications and Torpedo Officer; from 1940-41, in the **Schley** (destroyer) as Engineer Officer; and from 1941-42, in the **Cummings** (destroyer) as Engineer Officer. The **Cummings** was alongside the dock in the Pearl Harbor Shipyard when the Japanese forces attacked the morning of 7 December, 1941. The **Cummings** was only slightly damaged and was able to join the search for the attacking Japanese Force. The Bentleys' home was riddled by bullets and shrapnel but fortunately for them at the time of the attack Mary Lou and the boys had sought refuge in the canefields and Jim was back in his ship.

In the early months of the war the **Cummings** was assigned convoy duty. There was little exciting action except for an encounter with a

Japanese submarine which ended in a draw with no damage to either ship.

Next (1943-44) Jim, now a lieutenant commander, was assigned as Executive Officer and Navigator of the **Beale.** This was a new destroyer fitting out in Staten Island, NY. It was commissioned in early January, 1943, and soon joined the Pacific Fleet where she saw some action. Upon arrival in the Pacific, the **Beale** joined the task force which recaptured the Aleutian Islands from the Japanese. From here she was sent to the South Pacific where she participated in landings at Cape Gloucester in New Britain and at Saidor in New Guinea. She was under air attack several times but suffered no damage.

After leaving the **Beale**, Jim, now a commander, took command of the **Fanning**, another destroyer. This was in Trincomali, Ceylon, where the ship was temporarily assigned to the British Eastern Fleet. This force staged two successful air raids on enemy forces at Sabang and Surabaya, Dutch East Indies.

After this the **Fanning** was attached to one of the Carrier task groups of the Pacific Fleet in time to participate in the Second Battle of the Philippine Sea.

Later the **Fanning** participated in the bombardment of Chichi Jima and Iwo Jima north of Saipan. During these actions she was credited with the destruction of two enemy ships. Jim's last assignment with the **Fanning** was with an air-sea rescue group which provided services north of Saipan for the B-29's which flew from Guam and Tinian to and from Japan. The **Fanning** rescued several downed aviators from their yellow rafts. Invariably these people were glad to see fellow Americans on the high seas.

For his part in operations against the enemy, Jim was awarded three decorations consisting of a Silver Star and two Bronze Stars.

After World War II, Jim was on the faculty of the Postgraduate School at Annapolis, MD, and later at the Seamanship Department of the U.S. Naval Academy. Then it was back to sea again as Operations Officer, Navigator, and Executive Officer of the **Columbus** (cruiser), 1947-48. Next, he was a student at the Naval War College, Newport, RI. Back to sea as Chief Staff Officer Service Squadron One during the Korean War, then back to the War College Faculty. His last sea duty was as commanding officer of the **Severn** (fleet oiler) in the Atlantic and Mediterranean fleets, as Assistant Chief of Staff to the Commander-in-chief, Atlantic Fleet and lastly as Chief of the Naval Section of the Military Assistance group, Norway. The purpose of this group was to assist in rebuilding the **Norwegian Navy. Jim retired from active duty in the Navy in 1960, with the rank of Captain, USN.**

From 1960-1977, Jim was a teacher of mathematics in the public schools of Napa, CA. After retiring from teaching in 1977, Jim moved to Gulf Breeze, FL, where he lives next door to his son Jim and family.

Jim's **first** wife, Mary Lou Sharer, was born in Burgess, IL, October 1, 1911. She was reared by her sister and husband in Bad Axe, Huron Co., MI. After high school, she attended Michigan State College and received a degree in Dietetics in 1936. After this she worked as a dietician at the Lapeer State Home where she met Jim. She and Jim were married in 1937. From then on she lived the life of a Navy wife making a home for her family in many places, mostly near naval bases. She died of cancer in 1966. Her remains are buried in the Bentley family plot in the Mt. Hope Cemetery, Lapeer.

Jim's **second** wife was Margaret (Bartlett) Anderson. She was a divorcee with six children ranging in age from 8 to 17. Margaret is the authoress of a book called "John Bartlett and Robert Frost, the Story of a Friendship" (a book about the relationship between her father, who had been a student of Robert Frost's at Pinkerton Academy in New Hampshire and included the lifelong correspondence which developed between them). Margaret was a teacher also. She died of cancer in 1974. (Be275.).

James Calvin and Mary Louise (Sharer) Bentley had three CH: (A.) James S., (B.) Frederick W., and (c.) Martha A. Bentley; their known DESC (as written by James C. Bentley):

The Bentleys of Napa, CA, 1965, l to r (standing), Frederick W. Bentley **(Be:FDDACEHCCB.)**, Mrs. F. W. (Katherine A. Cool) Bentley, James C. Bentley **(Be:FDDACEHCC.)**, James S. Bentley **(Be:FDDACEHCCA.)**, and (sitting) Mrs. James C. (Mary Louise Sharer) Bentley and Mrs. James S. (Susan M. White) Bentley.

FDDACEHCCA. James Sharer Bentley, b 6.10.1938, Long Beach, CA.

Since his father was an officer in the Navy, he lived in many different places while growing up, including Coronado, CA; Honolulu, TH; Lapeer, MI; Staten Island, NY; Annapolis, MD; Newport, RI; and Norfolk, VA. He was graduated from St. George's School in Newport. He attended Washington and Lee University, the University of Michigan at Flint, MI. He was graduated from Michigan State University in 1961 with a degree in Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Management. Jim was graduated from Officer Candidate School in Newport, RI, in 1962, and was commissioned Ensign in the U.S. Naval Reserve, Intelligence Branch.

His first duty was in Algiers, LA, located across the river from New Orleans. Here he met his future wife, Susan Madeline White, b 11.29.1943, Pensacola. She was graduated from Catholic High School in 1961. She attended Florida State University before enrolling in Nurses' training at Charity Hospital in New Orleans. Jim and Susan were married 5.8.1965, shortly before Jim left for a year's duty in Vietnam.

Upon his return in 1966, he proceeded to Washington, DC, where he was assigned to the Defense Intelligence Agency. After this he had a tour of duty at McDill Air Force Base in Tampa, FL. In 1971, while assigned to VT-10 at Sherman Field in Pensacola, he completed his tour of active duty and retired (Be275.).

James Sharer and Susan Madeline (White) Bentley are the parents of these CH (Be275.):

FDDACEHCCAA. Sean Christopher Bentley, b 5.25.1967.

FDDACEHCCAb. Lisa Ann Bentley, b 1.24.1969.

FDDACEHCCAc. Shannon Elizabeth Bentley, b 5.21.1970.

FDDACEHCCAD. Kirk Andrew Bentley, b 8.24.1971, d inf. of spinal meningitis.

FDDACEHCCAE. Paul William Bentley, b 8.19.1978, Gulf Breeze, Santa Rosa Co., FL. Paul William arrived just in time to be included in his grandfather's paper and to have the distinction of being the most recently born person named, identified, and classified in this section of the book.

FDDACEHCCB. Frederick William Bentley, b 5.3.1941, Queen Kapiolani Hospital, Honolulu, TH. His father James wrote:

Fred was only seven months old when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. During World War II, he lived with his mother and brother in the home of his grandfather Roy and Aunt Jean in Lapeer. After the war he moved to Annapolis, MD, where his father was attached to the faculty of the Naval Postgraduate School. Later, he lived in Newport, RI, where he attended public schools. Then he lived in Coronado, CA, and then back to Newport where his father was attached to the faculty of the Naval War College. Here Fred attended St. George's school until he was graduated.

Fred enrolled in the College of Engineering at the University of Michigan at both the Ann Arbor and Flint campuses. While at Ann Arbor he met his future wife, Katherine A. Cool, b 7.12.----, William's daughter. She is a graduate of Michigan State University. Fred and Kathy, then a resident of Bloomfield Hills, MI, were married 1.10.1964, Ann Arbor, MI. Afterward they moved to Napa, CA, where Kathy took a job with the telephone company while Fred completed work on his degree in Civil Engineering at San Jose State College.

After graduation Fred accepted a position with the National Park Service with the offices in San Francisco. Later they moved to Yosemite National Park for approximately one year. After this the Park Service reorganized and Fred and Kathy were moved to Denver, where they have moved into a new home in the suburb of Littleton (1978).

Their CH (Be275.):

FDDACEHCCBa. Jennifer Lorie Bentley, b 7.10.1968.

FDDACEHCCBB. John William Bentley, b 11.9.1969.

FDDACEHCCBc. Sarah Katherine Bentley, b 10.4.1971.

FDDACEHCCBD. Tyler Roy Bentley, b 7.31.1976.

FDDACEHCCc. Martha Alice Bentley, dtr of James, b 1944, d 1947.

Martha was born in Flint, MI. From the beginning it was evident that she was not well. In the summer of 1945, she moved to Annapolis with her family. At Johns Hopkins University Hospital in Baltimore her illness was diagnosed as cystic fibrosis. At that time no child with this disease had lived past the age of twelve. However, with medication her condition improved. In 1947, she moved back to Lapeer with her mother and brothers when her father returned to sea duty. She died in Lapeer in 1947 and was buried in the Mount Hope Cemetery (Be275.).

FDDACEHCD. Frederick Francis Bentley, b 6.24.1914, Lapeer, MI, and attended public schools in Lapeer. His brother James reports:

Fred studied Animal Husbandry at Michigan State College. He was graduated in 1936. Soon he became the supervisor of animal husbandry at the Lapeer State Home. This position included the responsibility of supervising one of the largest dairy herds in Michigan. At M. S. College he was trained as an Army Reserve Officer in the Cavalry. When the country mobilized, he was called to active duty. The Cavalry was abolished and he was transferred to the quartermaster division. He was stationed at several army posts in the United States and eventually was sent to England during the build-up for the reinvasion of Europe. He participated in the landing at Normandy. On the way across the English Channel, his ship was sunk by a mine but he survived to participate in the campaign

against the German army. When the war ended, he held the rank of Major, USAR.

Shortly after the war he was married to Jean Forsyth, a reporter on the **Lapeer County Press**, b 11.3.1919, Standish, Arenac Co., MI. Fred returned to his old job at the Lapeer State Home. Many years later the dairy herd was abolished and he became the Purchasing Agent at this institution, a job he still holds (1978).

Frederick Francis and Jean (Forsyth) Bentley had two CH:

FDDACEHCDa. Elizabeth Bentley, b 7.6.1947, Flint, MI, where she attended public schools. Her uncle Jim relates:

After attending Albion College for one year, she enrolled at M.S.U. Elizabeth was graduated from Michigan State University. She then entered the law school at the University of Arizona. After receiving her law degree, she was admitted to the bar. Elizabeth was given a position as 'Hearings Officer' (for grievance cases against the federal government) with the Federal Civil Service in Washington.

She was m 12.1972, Rockville, MD, to John Bogle, b 12.18.1946, a Lapeer H.S. graduate; res (1978): Silver Springs, MD (Be275.).

FDDACEHCDb. Amy Joan Bentley, b 9.6.1962, Flint, MI, is a student attending Lapeer High School (1978). The school is located across the street from the house where her grandfather H. Roy Bentley was born and less than a mile from the farm cleared by her great-great-grandfather W. Gardiner Bentley in 1845 (Be275.).

FDDACEHD. Fred Erwin Bentley, Calvin's son, b 3.14.1881, d 1950 (Be275.).

FDDACEI. Gilbert -. Bentley (Be274., Be273.), son of William Gardiner Bentley, b 5.17.1847, Lapeer Co., MI (Be275.).

William Gard(i)ner Bentley m **secondly** widow Harriet (----) Bradshaw; their two CH:

FDDACEJ. William A. Bentley, b 9.9.1856 (Be275.); at age 3 y, 1860 (enum. 8.15.1860) (Be274.).

FDDACEK. Newel Bentley, b 6.7.1858 (Be275.); "Newel" Bentley, likely the son of "Wm G." and "Harriet" Bentley, at age 2 y in 1860 (enum. 8.15.1860), b Oregon Twp, Lapeer Co., MI (Be274.). Newel's half-brothers likely include Reuben and Silas Bradshaw and his half-sisters likely include Helen C. and Alma Bradshaw (at ages 19, 18, 12, and 11 respectively) (Be274.).

In a directory dated 1926, the names of "Newell Bentley" and "L. Bentley" are listed for the same street address in Flint, MI; their parents remain unidentified by this searcher (Be34.E.).

FDDACF. Randall Spencer Bentley, Sr., b ca 1800, age "3" in 1804 CR, son of William (Be13B.); d 10.13.1893, at age 94 y, bur Necropolis

Cemetery, one and one-half miles east of Mapleton in Elgin Co., Ontario, Canada (Be38.); b 4.10.1800 (Be61., Be34.B.4.; Be275.); b 3.10.1800, RI (?), d 11.1893, at age 93 y, Bradley, SD, farmer and elder in the Christian Church (Be34.). In the Necropolis Cemetery also lie buried Randall's **second** wife Helen, d 4.18.1880, at age 75 y, and their son Isaac Bentley, M.D., d 12.24.1895, at age 52 y 15 ds, and Isaac's wife Alma, d 3.2.1874, at age 30 (Be38.). His res (1890) was Detroit, MI.

R. S. Bentley was the subject of a newspaper article published in Meaford, Ontario, and dated July 4, 1890, the extract (in part) (Be59.):

> . . . ancestor was Benjamin Bentley . . . A venerable gentleman of over ninety summers and father of Mrs. D. Sinclair of this town . . . makes his home in winter with his youngest son who is a medical practioner in Detroit and in summer — when his health will permit which in general is fairly good considering his age — he makes a tour around visiting his numerous children among whom he claims thirty-two great-grandchildren.

Mrs. D. Sinclair, his dtr, is Mrs. Duncan (Maria Bentley) Sinclair **(Be:FDDACFc.)**.

Randall m **first** 1.13.1822, Pickering Twp, Ontario Co., Ontario, Canada, to Jane Barclay, b 8.22.1803, Couper, Scotland, dtr of George Barclay and Janet Tullis. Jane d at age 34 y on 6.7.1838, Markham, York Co., Ontario, Canada. According to descendants their 7 CH were:

(a) Lavina Bentley, b 1823;

(B) William Bentley, b 1825;

(c) Maria Bentley, b 1827;

(d) Nancy Bentley, b 1830;

(E) George Bentley, b 1832;

(f) Jane Bentley, b 1835; and

(G) Randall Bentley, b 1838.

Randall Spencer Bentley (Be:FDDACF.), m **secondly** 12.12.1838, to Widow Helen (Ogilvie) Scott, b 1804, Edinburgh, Scotland, d 4.18.1880, Aylmer, Ontario, Canada. They lived successively in Markham, York Co.; Elgin Co. in Malahide Twp. on Con. 9; and in Aylmer, Elgin Co., all in the Canadian Province of Ontario. Their 3 CH:

(h) Helen Bentley, b 1839;

(I) James Ogilvie Bentley, b 1842; and

(J) Isaac Bentley, b 1843.

THE LIFE AND ANCESTRY OF RANDALL SPENCER BENTLEY

(Be:FDDACF.)

Originally Written by Duncan Sinclair,[1]
Husband of Maria Bentley,
Daughter of the Subject
Originally Written ca 1890, revised 1977

A typewritten copy of the original manuscript was sent to this reviser, Cameron R. Stewart, from R. Ferris Randall, 2816 Roswell Way, Eden, NY 14057, in his letter of 11.13.1977. Ed. M. Bentley of Seattle, WA, was the liaison. Where R.F.R. got the copy is a mystery. The writer of the original, unknown to R.F.R., was the husband of Randall Spencer Bentley's daughter Maria, Duncan Sinclair of Meaford, St. Vincent Twp., Grey County, Ontario, Canada. The 1890 date is a calculated guess.

The reviser feels that "Benjamin Bentley," as reported in the original and reproduced here, is a mistaken identity. Explanations are provided.

"R. S. Bentley's paternal ancestor was Benjamin Bentley of the **Town of Bedford, England,** a contemporary and friend of the celebrated patriot and preacher, **John Bunyan," according to Sinclair.**[2]

> Benjamin Bentley married Bunyan's sister.[3] He was also a member of the Baptist Church to which Bunyan ministered. In this relationship he became identified more or less with much of the suffering and persecutions Bunyan had to endure.
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> Benjamin Bentley, it would appear, was a man of great moral worth and doubtless in many ways aided and assisted Bunyan in his contacts with the Politics, religious Powers of the time, and at the same time bringing down upon his own devoted head accompanied by persecution. Albeit, Benjamin Bentley was a man of great courage and well fitted for the time, one not easily daunted or turned aside from his purpose of worshiping and serving his God in the simple manner as recorded in the Divine Testimony. In the conscientious exercise of this privilege, he and his confers gave great offense to the authorities and they accordingly persecuted them with merciless bitterness, spoiling them of their goals and subjecting them to fines and imprisonments insomuch that life became scarcely bearable at best.
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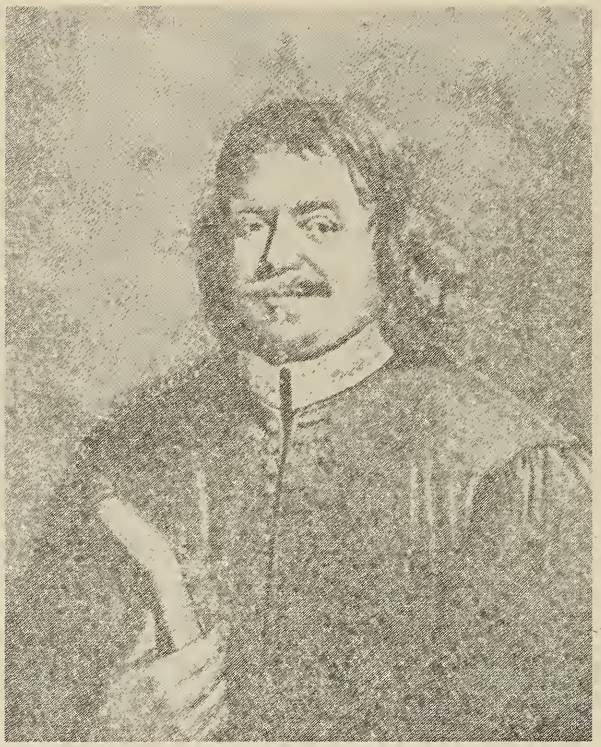
> Persecution, the adjunct of a weak and wicked cause, prevailed to an alarming extent in England and Scotland during the reign of the

[1]Sinclair's title of his manuscript was "The Life and Ancestry of Randall Spencer Bentley. Late of the Township of Markham, County of York, but Now of the Township of South Dorchester County of Elgin, Province of Ontario, Canada." (Be61.).

[2]For the time being, this searcher recommends that the reader substitute "(anon. ancestor) Bentley" for "Benjamin Bentley."

[3]**Fact:** John Bunyan's **father** m the **aunt** of a W'm Bentley, Bedfordshire, England. See **Be162.** Without their mentioning **Bedfordshire**, upon what evidence did both J.K. Bentley (Be:FDDABBC.) and C.R. Bentley (Be:FBBHAGAE.) claim Ancestor William (Be:F.) emigrated from **Lancashire**?



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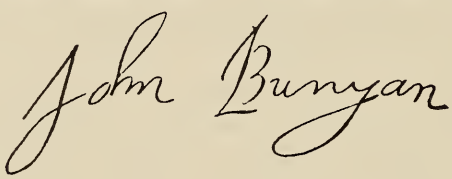

Halleck, R.P., **Halleck's New English Literature**, Great Britain: 1913.

In an undated edition of John Bunyan's **The Pilgrim's Progress**, with a Biographical Sketch of the Author, Philadelphia: American Baptist Pub. Soc., extracts read:

> In the year 1327, records show that William Boynon and his wife Matilda, lived about a mile from Elstow, on the very spot where, three hundred years later, John Bunyan was born.
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> Bunyan's father, Thomas 'Bunyon,' and his mother, Margaret Bentley, were born in 1603, and married May 23, 1627. The father described himself as a 'braseyer.' Their son John was born November, 1628, a mile from Elstow, and the same distance southwest of the town of Bedford.
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> . . . his mother died, in June, 1644.

Stewart Kings. No ---was tolerated except that which met with the sanction of the State; all others were, with merciless severity, subverted and the adherents thereof were deprived of their liberty and despoiled of their goods. To preserve their lives and property and retain liberty of conscience in the exercise of their religion, many were forced to expatriate themselves and flee from the land of their birth and the scenes of youthful associations and entrust themselves upon the boisterous ocean in their anxiety to escape from the persecuting demons of their native land, and to seek a home in some quiet spot in the western wilds of North America, where, without molestation, they could worship God under their own vine and fig tree, none daring to make them afraid.

Benjamin Bentley and his wife, finding matters growing from bad to worse with little prospect of improvement, resolved to cast in their lot with these who had gone voluntarily into exile on account of their religion rather than to submit to the intolerable grievances with which they were afflicted at home. About the year 1630[1] (inserted by pen: Benjamin Bentley sailed to Mass. from Eng.), they took passage in a ship sailing from Plymouth and freighted with emigrants for the new Colony. After a tedious and stormy passage, they reached the land of their adoption in safety.

Some shiploads of settlers had preceded them and had formed the government of the Colony of Massachusetts. They had, moreover, enacted some very stringent laws of a repressive nature which tended very much to restrict liberty of conscience, insomuch that the celebrated Roger Williams raised his voice and withstood the authority of the colony in opposition to these repressing measures. He contended that Quakers, Catholics and other prescribed sects had as much right to freedom of worship in this free country as those who were of the dominant party and privileged in having the greater number of adherents, who themselves had recently escaped from galling persecution for conscience sake.

Notwithstanding the justness of the argument, Williams was made the subject of an unfeeling persecution and expelled from the colony. This was the set of men who had in England strenuously contended for liberty of conscience, but who, now being in power, leaned with the rulers of the colony to prescribe only a few favored sects. The edict of banishment having been passed upon by the authorities of the colony, Mr. Williams was forced to leave. In making his escape from his enemies, he journeyed southward wandering alone for about fourteen weeks without knowing, as he said, what bread and bed did mean. The ground at the time was covered with snow. He had to depend upon the charity of the Indians for food, otherwise he might have perished from cold and hunger.

[1]This date is a few years before the birth of the commonly accepted Bentley progenitor of Rhode Island. Since his eldest son was b July 8, 1677 (Be.111.), Progenitor William Bentl(e)y must have been in Narragansett country before Oct. 1676. His wife Sarah lived there in 1668, two years before birth of Mary Austen.

Eventually he reached a place called 'Mountain's Neck' where he stopped for awhile. Meanwhile, five of his friends, who had followed him thither, joined him. Among them was Benjamin Bentley.[1]

Soon afterwards Roger Williams' whereabouts became known to Governor Winslow of the Massachusetts Colony. In his letter to Williams, the Governor advised him to move to the other side of the Narragansett River where the country would be free before them. In this organized territory beyond the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts Colony, the Governor said, they could dwell as loving friends together. This advice appeared to have been given in friendship, although the governor was severely censured for giving it.

In compliance with the advice of the Governor, Williams and his friends embarked in a canoe and paddled downstream rounding Judia and Fox Points. Crossing the river and sailing some distance upstream, they landed near a beautiful spring of clear water. This location is said to be still pointed out to visitors as the resting place of Roger Williams. Upon landing, the six weary travellers immediately gathered around the spring, where Williams took his staff and thrust it down into the spring, named the place 'Providence' as a memorial to the Goodness of God. He then lifted up his head and thanked the Most High for His protecting care during the time of his trial and distress. Deeming the spot a very eligible place for settlement and considering the providential manner in which they had been directed to it, Roger Williams prevailed upon the Tribe of the Narragansett Indians, who claimed the land, to sell to him for a consideration a certain tract whereupon to settle. The Indians complied with the desire of the newcomers, who forthwith began to build a town in the vicinity of the spring naming it also 'Providence,' which ultimately became the capital city of the State of Rhode Island.[2]

In 1639 Roger Williams organized here the first Baptist Church in America. Benjamin Bentley, being a late member of Bunyan's Church of the Town of Bedford, England,[3] united with this little

[1]The ancestor(s) of Randall Spencer Bentley who befriended Roger Williams would most likely be by way of Leah Spencer's line. Leah was R.S.B.'s grandmother. Roger Williams was **accompanied** by these five friends: William Harris, John Smith (the miller), Thomas Angell, Francis Wickes, and Joshua Verin. See Be163.C.

[2]See **Be163.A. and B.**

[3]**Bedford** is a municipal borough, seat of Bedfordshire, located in southeast central England, on the Ouse 48 miles North Northwest of London. Its population in 1971 was 73,064. It is a commercial center. **Bedford was the scene of John Bunyan's imprisonment 1660-1672 and 1675** (when he is supposed to have written **Pilgrim's Progress**). The county Bedfordshire or Bedford or Beds has an area of 477 square miles. Other towns in the county besides Bedford are Luton and Dunstable. The area is noted for diversified farming and automobiles. Bedfordshire had a population of 463,493 in 1971. Ref: **Webster's New Geographical Dictionary**, New York: G. and C. Merriam Company, 1977.

band of believers who had made their home in the wilderness.[1] From that time until the present, the whole family of Bentley has adhered to the Baptist Persuasion.

The family of Benjamin Bentley[2] consisted of four sons and three daughters. Benjamin's eldest son Thomas had six sons and one daughter.

Thomas Bentley, eldest of Caleb, had five sons and three daughters. William Bentley, the eldest of the sons,[3] had a family of four sons and four daughters, only three of whom lived to mature years, namely Gardiner and Randall Spencer, the subject of this notice, and a sister Hannah.[4]

The family of Thos., eldest son of Benjamin Bentley, were Thomas, Caleb, Joseph, Samuel, Benjamin, and Gideon, **and a daughter Ann**. All except Caleb and Benjamin married, went into the State of New York.[5]

In Caleb's family were William, Randall, Nathan, Isaac, and Spencer, and the daughters Hannah, Betsey, and Sally.[6]

Our object being mainly to trace the genealogy of R.S. Bentley back to Benjamin Bentley, the confederate of Roger Williams,[7] we omit any particular notice of those not in the direct line except where

[1]No shred of evidence could be found by this searcher of a "Benjamin" Bentley in Bedfordshire during the lifetime of John Bunyan; however, evidence was found for intermarriages between two Bentley sisters and two Bunyans (variously spelled). John Bunyan's mother was Margaret Bentley, dtr of William Bentley and Mary Goodwin, Bedfordshire, England. R. S. Bentley's only Bentley ancestor (known in the records to this searcher) named "Benjamin" was his great-grandfather, whose grandfather is William from Bedfordshire, England (Be111.).

[2]R.S. Bentley's Bentl(e)y ancestor who came to America from England was William Bentl(e)y of Kingstown (later known as North Kingstown), RI Colony. William had one dtr and four sons. R.S.B. descended from William's son Thomas who had two dtrs and three sons, one of whom was R.S.B.'s ancestor Benjamin. Benjamin had six sons, the eldest of whom was Caleb who had three dtrs and five sons. Caleb's son William had three dtrs and three sons, the youngest of whom was Randall Spencer Bentley, the father of ten children consisting of five sons and five daughters. R.S.B.'s third-born child was Maria Bentley, the wife of Duncan Sinclair who wrote the ms. entitled "The Life and Ancestry of Randall Spencer Bentley." This confutation should be of help to the reader in overcoming some of the perplexities in the genealogical portions of Sinclair's ms.

[3]This searcher has no proof that William was the eldest son of Caleb, son of Thomas. Circumstantial evidence leads this searcher to consider William as not being older than his brother Randall. Caleb was actually the son of Benjamin and grandson of Thomas.

[4]This searcher is aware of only six offspring of William's, the three named above and three who were believed to have d young.

[5]Benjamin was the fourth-born child of Thomas, William's son. This searcher has no proof of a dtr of Benjamin, but the names of Benjamin's sons in order of their births **are** (1) Caleb, (2) Joseph, (3) Thomas, (4) Samuel, (5) Benjamin, and (6) Gideon. In Exeter (Colony of RI), a seventh child (name or sex, unknown) died with their mother in 1760/61 from smallpox (see **Be:FDD.**). The seventh-born child may well be the girl "Ann" named above.

[6]Was the name of Caleb's eldest dtr "Hannah" or "Sarah?"

[7]Benjamin Bentley, Randall Spencer Bentley's ancestor, was b July 5, 1714 (Be111.). Roger Williams was probably acquainted with William Bentl(e)y, Benjamin's gf, although he had not been born before Roger Williams left MA in 1636. R. Williams d 1683; William Bentley d 1720.

necessary to throw some light on the origin of the Family in that connection who claim Benjamin Bentley as their Progenitor.[1]

Elijah Bentley, son of Samuel[2] and Grandson of Thomas,[3] **a preacher, lived in the township of Markham, Canada, where he formed the first Baptist Church in that place in 1803.**

About the year 1800 the British Government officials in Canada issued a proclamation offering a free grant of two hundred acres of land to any American who desired to come and settle in British territory. Many took advantage of this offer and among them were several members of Caleb's family and some of Samuel's, besides William, father of Randall S. Bentley. These all settled in Markham and adjacent townships. This accounts for the presence of the Bentley Family in British territory and of their settling in Canada.[4]

In the early part of the seventeenth century, one **Nicholas Gardiner** came over from England and purchased a Township of land in Rhode Island and called it the Township of Kingston. Being a person of some consideration, he was appointed by Governor of the Colony, Judge of the Superior Court, and this gentleman had a son also named **Nicholas** who was a magistrate of some celebrity who exercised jurisdiction over a wide district of country. He was universally known by the name of **"Squire Nick."** The judge had twelve sons and two daughters, of whom Nicholas was the eldest of the family. **Squire Nicholas' daughter Hannah Gardiner married William Bentley; they were the parents of Randall Spencer Bentley,** the subject of this notice.[5]

Gideon, Grandson of Benjamin Bentley,[6] was a non-commissioned officer in the Revolutionary War and followed Washington up to the final surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown, which ended the struggle.

On one occasion, one of the American superior-officers was taken prisoner. The patriots offered to exchange prisoners, two for one, providing they could obtain the release of their officer, but the British would not agree to the proposal. Notwithstanding the

[1]The "Progenitor" was William and **not** Benjamin Bentley.

[2]Elijah Bentley petitioned for land in Markham in 1800, stating that he had a wife and 3 CH in Clinton Twp, Lincoln Co., Niagara District, UC (Be15.A.). Elijah is named as son of Samuel Bentl(e)y (Be15E.) by Samuel in Markham, 1800. Elijah sold Lot 4 of Con. 8 in 1805 to Samuel Lawrence (Be16.A.4.). The name of "Elijah Bentley" appears on the Deed record for Lot 5 of Con. 6 in 1807, 1816, 1819, 1822, and 1824.

[3]correction: Elijah Bentley was a grandson of Benjamin; Samuel was a grandson of Thomas Bentley.

[4]In 1800 and in 1801, Upper Canada Land Petitions were made by Caleb's son William and Caleb's brother Samuel and members of Samuel's family. Not until later did Caleb's son Nathan's three of four sons settle in Ontario Co., Ontario, Canada, after leaving Onondaga Co., NY.

[5]This searcher cannot vouch for the accuracy of this paragraph.

[6]Gideon was the **son** of Benjamin and the grandson of Thomas. Gideon was the great-grandson of Progenitor William Bentley of RI.

refusal, the Americans were determined to let the officer free and planned a surprise. Gideon Bentley and thirteen others under the cover of night surrounded the barracks where the officer was confined, overcame the sentry, and brought out the prisoner in triumph restoring him to liberty. This was considered a feat of great danger and of daring resolve on the part of the men taking part in it.[1]

Gideon Bentley lived to a good old age. When he was one hundred and five years old, his descendants to the number of one hundred and forty made a feast in his honor.[2] Afterwards, they marched in procession with him at their head to a photo gallery where his likeness was taken. He lived some two years after, dying at the age of 107.[3]

Randall Bentley, son of Caleb and Uncle of R. S. Bentley,[4] was a mariner by profession. He owned and sailed a schooner and engaged in the - - - trade between Albany and New York.[5]

Randall Spencer Bentley was born April 1800 (in ink: 10th) in the Township Shanaary, County of Providence, some little distance from the city of Schenectady, State of New York.[6] When he was **six months** old, his father, William Bentley, moved into Canada and settled in the Township of Markham,[7] as we have already intimated, the government giving all comers two hundred acres of land, which many took advantage of this offer and most of the first settlers in the Township aforesaid were the descendants of those who took part in the American Revolution.[8]

Some **six years** afterwards the family moved back to the old homestead of the grandfather Caleb Bentley in the Township of West Greenwich, County of Kent, State of Rhode Island.[9]

Some **eighteen months** after coming to Canada, the Mother died (in ink, about . . .) leaving a young and helpless family with no one to care for them.[10]

[1]Gideon Bentley **(Be:FDDF.)**, Revolutionary War Patriot, Great-uncle of Randall Spencer Bentley.

[2]Another account gives the number of descendants present as 130.

[3]See **Be:FDDF.** for photograph of Gideon Bentley, who was b 8.12.1750, d 1.20.1858, ae. 107y 5m 8d.

[4]correctly identified.

[5]See **Be:FDDAB.** for account of Randall Bentley.

[6]Identity of this township has **not** been made by this searcher, as yet. Providence is a township in Saratoga Co., NY. Schenectady's location is between Schoharie and Ballston Spa (relevancy?). "Shanaary" is unidentified.

[7]William's son Randall Spencer Bentley entered Upper Canada (now Province of Ontario) as an infant. William's U.C. Land Petition for 200 acres in Markham was dated 11.24.1801 (Be15.B.).

[8]"most" (?)—early Markham families of "settlers" were led by Berczy from Hamburg, Germany, **via** Ontario Co., NY, to the township in 1794. See appendix.

[9]Land Evidence (see presentation) for West Greenwich, RI, verifies William's return to RI.

[10]According to William Bentley's U.C. Land Petition (Be15.B.), his "wife having died about two months earlier" is a quotation dated 11.24.1801.

The father, after laboring some **four and a half years** longer, resolved to return and assist his father Caleb who was now old and unable to work his place by himself.[1]

About **two years later** when Randall Bentley was about **eight or nine years of age**, a cotton factory had been established in the neighboring Town of Coventry; he was sent to work in that establishment and continued there until he was about nineteen, when he proposed to his father that he would return to Canada and resume work on the farm.[2,3]

It was agreed that his father and the younger members of the family would remain with the old people while he went to Canada. **In the month of June in the year 1819, he and another young man started together on the journey.** The roads at the time were scarcely deserving the name, being mainly a blazed line or at best a branched-out sleigh tract. The settlement was sparse with few stopping places by the way. They were often compelled to camp at night out under a tree or other shelter as chance presented. As both were young and hardy, they suffered no inconvenience while the weather continued fair and the sky remained serene above their heads.

The city of Syracuse at that time was a swamp, the place of fever and ague. At the time it was merely a great slash of lying timber with scarcely a human habitation.

In the course of their journey they passed over the site of the present city of Rochester, New York. Like many other spots in a new country which afterwards become famous cities, Rochester presented then very little that was attractive. The exception was the beautiful Genesee Falls, a potential source of immense waterpower. When the Erie Canal was opened for traffic, the Falls became utilized to great profit. Great wealth was produced by the upbuilding of mills and manufactories on a large scale and the employment of many hands. An important city came into being advancing rapidly in population and wealth and ranking as one of the great manufacturing centers of America.

R. S. Bentley and his companion continued on their journey until they reached Lewiston on the Niagara River where they crossed in a

[1]Land evidence, in the form of a written agreement between the father Caleb and the son William, verifies William's care for the aging Caleb and wife Leah in West Greenwich. See.

[2]Randall S. Bentley and William Bentley ("of Twp. of West Greenwich in County of Kent in State of Rhode Island, yeoman, and Randall S. Bentley of Markham . . ."), Deed record dated 1824, Lot 3 of Con. 5; both also named on Deed record for Lot 4 of Con. 5; see Be16.C. and Be16.D.

[3]**Historical Atlas of York County,** Toronto, 1878; Reprint by Ross Cumming, Port Elgin, Ontario; page 86, incl. of George Walton's **1837 Directory of Toronto and York,** taken from his **City of Toronto and Home District Commercial Directory for 1837:** "Markham, Con. 5, Lot 3, Bentley, Randal."

ferry boat to Queenston on the Canadian side (Lincoln County, Ontario). They wound their way down the west side of the river, rounding the head of Lake Ontario, passing what was to become the present cities of Hamilton and Burlington.

The Dundas Street was slashed but not cleared. They followed the route of the road until they reached little York, destined to become the metropolis of Toronto. Their stay in the future capitol of Upper Canada (now the Province of Ontario) was short, merely to rest awhile.

They continued on their journey and, sixteen miles farther, had made the last stage of sixty miles in one day. The whole trip occupied four weeks and a distance of about seven hundred miles. They had carried a change of wearing apparel and their provisions on their backs.

His companion, after remaining only three days, became very much dissatisfied with the country and resolved to return home, which he did. Upon reaching home, he settled down again among his old friends in Rhode Island. The name of the companion was **Whitman Lillibridge.**[1,2] He reported that in Canada in the house they had nothing to sit upon but a pumpkin. While rising up off it, it rolled under the bed.

Randall S. Bentley, upon returning to his Canadian home and after his travelling companion left him, again set to work to clear up the farm and to bring it under cultivation. This he could do only in brief periods of time ('snatches') since much of his time was devoted to working for his neighbors who were in need of help. He continued in this way for about two years when he bethought himself of bettering his condition and increasing his comforts by getting married.

In carrying out his intentions in this matter, he selected as his partner **Jane, the eldest daughter of the Rev. George Barclay, Baptist Minister of the Township of Pickering.** This event occurred on the 13th of January in 1822.

The year which followed was rather a bad year. The season produce was low in price. The crop from the preceding year had been deficient in quantity. Many settlers had much difficulty in making ends meet until they could secure a return from their crops. R. S. Bentley, being a beginner both as a farmer and a householder, felt considerably pinched in his circumstances. Heretofore he had raised only a little crop and had barely maintained a household of his own. Having to buy provisions and seed taxed his energies and resources to the limit. He overcame these and other difficulties . . . every year

[1]Arnold, J.N., **Vital Record of Rhode Island,** Vol. 5, "Exeter," p. 21; Exeter 3:290. **"Lillibridge, Whitman W.,** of John, m Mercy Whitman, of James, by Elder Gershom Palmer, March 7, 1823." Is this the same Whitman Lillibridge?

[2]Exeter, "Deaths, 1854-1903," Whitman Lillibridge, d Aug. 27, 1856, ae. 59, Exeter, farmer, of dyspepsla, son of (----) (?). Identity?

he was enabled to make some addition to his material prospects in the shape of clearing, building, and increasing the number of his livestock.

His grandfather Caleb Bentley, Rhode Island, died in December of 1825 at the age of 86.[1] **His father William disposed of his effects there and returned again to Canada.** His health having been poor, he only lived about seven years after his return. **William died in Markham and was buried on the farm, Lot 5 on Concession 6. When the farm was sold years later, this burial spot was reserved and not sold with the farm.**[2,3]

About the time his father died, political excitement was very high, ultimately culminating in the Rebellion of 1837.

His family was then composed of three sons and three daughters. Their mother at this time took sick with a complaint from which she never recovered; during the time of her illness the Rebellion was at its height (in ink: Jane Barclay d June 7, 1838).

R. S. Bentley, although always a peaceable man with liberal views, was not allowed by the myrmidons of the government to remain quietly at home. **He was arrested as a sympathizer and taken to Toronto and placed in confinement along with many others.** This was doubtless an over-stretch of authority on the part of some who, under the pretext of showing their legal zeal, mercilessly oppressed their neighbors and even dispoiled them of their goods.

A political excitement of the public mind, similar to the Canadian Rebellion, exposes to view the savage nature of men and shows what they would do were they not restrained by law and kept within reasonable bounds. The pretended loyalists formed themselves into bands of marauders scouring the country without any authority, pretending they were instructed by the government to collect all arms that they could find and to store them in a secure place where they would be under control. Homes in the neighborhood, including R. B.'s, were dispoiled of all firearms and weapons of defense along with produce and provisions. R.B.'s wife Jane was at the time on her deathbed; the excitement of these proceedings greatly aggravated her condition causing her ultimately to succumb thereto.

Albert Stewart, Baptist Minister in Toronto, upon learning that Randall S. Bentley was imprisoned, went to see him. He found him confined in one of the public buildings without a bed to lie upon or anything to eat. After providing him with these things and making him as comfortable as the circumstances would permit, Rev. Stewart earnestly asked for and got an interview with the Chief Justice. In the interview he demanded in very positive terms to know by whose order R. B. was imprisoned. He called for his immediate release of-

[1]Caleb Bentley was b 8.25.1739, Exeter, RI Colony (Be21.B.).

[2]A photograph of the tombstone inscription is desirable. Try instead, **Lot 3 of Con. 5.**

[3]Walton, G., **York Directory, 1837,** for Markham, Randal B., "Con. 5, Lot 3" (compare Be16.C. with Be16.E.).

fering himself as security for him and to appear when called for. The next day the Judge, after some little enquiry into the case, gave the prisoner an honorable and free discharge, exonerating him from participation in the present uprising of the People of Canada. His father-in-law Rev. George Barclay and his brother-in-law George Barclay, Jr. did not fare quite so well.

The Barclays were both arrested. The father-in-law, after being confined in prison for some days and forced to submit to very harsh treatment at the hands of his jailers, was finally released with a caution. The younger Barclay was put upon trial for his taking part in the Rebellion and was convicted and sentenced to be confined for a term of years in the penitentiary. The Imperial Government instituted through Lord Durham an enquiry as to the causes of the Insurrection. An order was given to discharge the prisoners confined in the provincial penitentiary. George Barclay with others obtained liberty after serving a limited term of hard labor.

The Insurrection was the cause of much suffering to many hundreds of well-to-do farmers who got involved in debt and had to leave the country, sacrificing their property and reducing their families to poverty and great privations which took years to overcome. R. B. had his share of trouble with sickness in the household and the decease of his wife. At times he was somewhat depressed in spirits and discouraged. Besides, farm produce got so low in price that it became difficult to make ends meet. Also after the pacification of the country, a commercial depression set in which pressed heavily upon the people for some years. The depression acted as a kind of blight upon their material prospects in so much that some were of the opinion, and doubtlessly not without reasons, that it was an infliction of providence in punishment for rebellion. Be that as it may, there is no denying the fact that any undue disturbance of the public press from whatever cause it may arise, will assuredly in the end bring about a reaction before matters can be adjusted so as to restore confidence and secure good feeling of trust between man and men.

After the decease of his wife, R. B. felt that he could not get along without someone to manage his household. He was left with a young and helpless family of children composed of three sons and three daughters. None of the girls were experienced or old enough to manage and conduct the affairs of the house. He concluded in the fall of 1838 to marry again.

He selected for his partner on this occasion **Mrs. Helen Ogilvie Scott,** a widow lady with two children, one of whom, a boy, subsequently died. The other, a girl, grew up to womanhood and married John Butehart, one of the family of the same name of the Township of Eramosa in Wellington County. The new Mrs. Bentley was a woman of rather superior intelligence and of some moral worth, besides being an excellent manager of the household.

Her father was a gentleman of some position in society in Edinburgh, Scotland; he died young. She was his only child, was well

brought up, and received a fair education. Up to the time of her union with R. B., she was altogether used to the manners and customs of the city folks; country life was quite new to her. Notwithstanding, she soon made herself familiar with the ration of duties devolving upon the manager of a farmer's domestic affairs.

Her first husband had been **Thomas Scott**, a builder and contractor in Edinburgh, who about the year 1833 immigrated to Canada, settling first in Toronto and afterwards in Brantford. Brantford at the time was very unhealthy; much of the land in the immediate neighborhood of the town was marshy, contributing perhaps to fever and ague. Mr. Scott took the fever and died leaving his wife a widow. After the decease of her husband the widow moved her place of residence to Toronto, where she made the acquaintance of R. B., her future second-husband.

By this time the political atmosphere had somewhat cleared up. The day of vengeance had passed. The authorities were now listening to reason, and expressed a willingness to reform abuses, renew the constitution and bring forward some salutary measures for the promotion of the public good. Among these was the Municipal Act granting unto the people social self-government, a great boon in itself, and the forerunner of much wise and useful legislation. Times had improved; the people were becoming content and willing to overlook and forget the past. Although it did take some years to restore that neighborly feeling of good will that should prevail in every well-ordered community.

After getting his household affairs in proper working order, R. B. made some extra efforts to improve his place. The trouble that he had gone through with sickness in the family had caused the farm work to fall behind, thus crippling him much in his resources. The older children were beginning to be of great help to him. They all were very industrious on the farm. Those inside the home were equally so in their department. With united efforts of both being well-directed, he was now placed in a position of comfort if not independence.

The members of the family were of a peaceable or docile disposition, rendering the position of the new mother much more agreeable and pleasant then generally follows the introduction of a stepmother into the family circle. Although to outsiders everything apparently moved along in the family in good order and with the best of feelings, nevertheless unpleasantness did occur as might reasonably be expected. Matters were never pushed to extremes; the good sense of both mother and children, especially the obedient and submissive disposition of the latter, served always the good purpose to mitigate disparities and help to bring about in due time a just and satisfactory reconciliation.

The eldest daughter Lavina,[1] the eldest of the family, was in the fall of 1844 (added in ink: Sept. 21, 1844) married to John Inglis, a

[1] Lavina Bentley, b 3.7.1823 (Be34.D.).

worthy Scotchman, and about the same time the second daughter Maria[1] was engaged to the writer (Duncan Sinclair). The double wedding took place on the 9.21.1844, the nuptial ceremony being performed by Elder George Barclay, grandfather of the two brides. This was the first break in the family since the death of their mother.

From this time hence they began to scatter. About two years subsequently the eldest son William Bentley[2,3] left home and farming life, as he presumed for good, to engage in a mechanical calling. After some years of hard struggle and passing through many vicissitudes of prosperity and adversity, he found the necessity of migrating to the State of Nebraska supposing there were better prospects in that part for one to improve one's condition than anything which was offered in Ontario. Milling had been his chief employment in Canada and he deemed it advisable to continue to follow this same line since the prospects were extra good for that industry where he had chosen to make his home.

William built mills on two different occasions and in separate places, expending much capital labor, only to be seemingly fated not to succeed. The banks of the rivers in that country are very low and floods are common, and in some instances, causing great havoc in the destruction of property. It so happened that at both places he was made the subject of just such catastrophy whereby he was in a very short space of time reduced from a measure of independence to a comparatively impoverished state. . . his decision was to abandon milling and return to the slow but sure industry of farming.

Of the second family, two sons James[4] and Isaac[5] both grew up to manhood and married. The daughter Helen[6] died about the tenth year of her age, about seven or eight years after the Rebellion.

R. B.'s circumstances had considerably improved for the better; he had cleared up as much of his land as he deemed advisable and had it in good working condition. The dwelling house and outbuildings were also in good order and suitable to the requirements of the place; but, with all his efforts, he was quite unable to lay past anything as a provision for his family. His children were growing up; they naturally expected as they became of age to receive some aid to enable them to make a start in the world themselves. Their claim in respect of this matter was readily admitted for they had, from the time they were able to do anything, steadily worked upon the place and had done something to enhance its value. It became apparent to R. B. that a change was needed.

[1] Maria Bentley, b 4.29.1827 (Be34.D.).

[2] William Bentley, b 3.22.1825 (Be34.D.).

[3] Why doesn't D. Sinclair mention other CH of R.S.B.'s first m?

[4] James Ogilvie Bentley, b 2.13.1842 (Be34.C.).

[5] Isaac Bentley, b 3.9.1843 (Be34.C.).

[6] Helen Bentley, b 10.6.1839, d 2.14.1848 (Be34.C.).

About the year 1847 some of the neighbors went west to the London district and bought farms with considerable improvement upon them at a reasonable figure. Some of these parties told R. B. that he could get an improved farm in that section for little more than half the amount of what he could obtain for his place in Markham, leaving him extra funds sufficient to some two or three wild lots for his sons. After consulting with the others in the household regarding this matter, he thought it advisable to take a trip west and see for himself.

After seeding was over, he started off for the west going as far as the Town of St. Thomas, County of Elgin. In looking around among the many good farms offered him, he selected one in the Township of Malahide in the County of Elgin with a somewhat larger clearing than his own and in a good state of cultivation and with all the necessary farm buildings in good condition. The terms and price both suited him; he therefore made a conditional bargain securing it until such time as he could complete the sale of his own place in Markham. On his return home he concluded the sale of his place to the parties with whom he had previously been negotiating and, immediately after the ingathering of the crops, moved west to his new farm in the Township of Malahide.

There were no railways in that section of the country then and the country roads were not as good as they might have been. After a tedious journey of two days duration, his household effects, with the assistance of some of his old neighbors who accompanied him west, were all landed at their destination. Before winter set in, the new place was made comfortable.

In 1840 Toronto was the only incorporated city of the Province of Upper Canada (now Ontario) and the only market for what surplus produce the farmers had to spare. At the time money was very scarce. To meet the want, the city corporation obtained authority from the legislation to issue promissory notes of two and three and four dollars each, redeemable one year after the date with interest. The farming community and the residents of the city as well were very much benefited by this.

R. B.'s place in Markham was sixteen miles from the city which was also the provincial capitol. There were certainly some advantages in being near the headquarters of the government. Every product of the farm could be readily disposed of at fair prices and then there was no time lost in going and returning a long distance to deal. On moving west he soon found that many advantages which he enjoyed in Markham were denied him in his new location.

He had formerly been well-situated as to church privileges. He would, when the weather permitted, drive into the city on Sunday where the family held worship, church fellowship with a congregation of Christians meeting there; and moreover he had frequent visits from preachers who held meetings in the house adjacent to his own place. In his new neighborhood there were none of the same

religious persuasion with himself, and feeling the need of pleasant associations in this respect, he thought it advisable in the interest of his family to invite some of the preachers of his own persuasion to make a visit to that part and hold meetings. In due time some few of the people on different occasions declared their desire to submit to the claims of the Gospel by being baptized and cast in their lot with the few who were earnestly and zealously contending for a return to the faith and practice of the primitive Gospel as originally proclaimed by the Apostles. The encouragement given in the efforts put forth at these times induced these brethren to form themselves into a congregation and have regular meetings.

To attend to all the institutions of the Lord's House somewhat about this time, E. Sheppard, who had attended some sessions of Bethany College preparing and qualifying himself for the ministry with the intentions of taking the field as a preacher of the Gospel, joined this little church, and being a young man of good points with fair address, he proved to them to be quite an acquisition. They obtained a good hearing at their meetings from the people outside. They labored hard among the people and endeavored by every available means to persuade them to submit to the faith. Their success was in every way equal to their expectations. In this work the brethren were greatly assisted by E. Sheppard. Indeed, he in time obtained quite a notoriety as a preacher of considerable ability and his services were much sought after by the brethren elsewhere.

E. Sheppard was eventually offered the position of inspector of the Elgin County Schools, a station he held with some acceptance for quite a number of years. Eventually he resigned that office to devote his whole time to preaching the Gospel. E. Sheppard (inked in: 1849-50) married Nancy,[1] the third daughter of Randall S. Bentley. The married couple settled down among the brethren and E. Sheppard devoted what time he could spare from his other duties in preaching the Gospel at various stations, the cause prospering very much under his ministrations.

Caleb Bentley,[2] grandfather of Randall Spencer Bentley,[3] died December (the day "20" was crossed out and "17" written above) 17, 1825, aged 86 years. Randall's grandmother Leah Bentley died January 25, 1826, aged 83 years.

Randall S. Bentley's father William Bentley[4] died April 28, 1836, aged 70 years;[5] his wife Hannah Bentley died 1800 ("1800" was crossed out and "1801, Ottawa Records" added in ink).[6] **Finis.**

[1]Nancy Bentley, wife of Rev. Edmund Shepard.

[2]Randall Spencer Bentley's father William's father Caleb.

[3]Randall Spencer Bentley **(Be:FDDACF.)**.

[4]William Bentley, husband of (1) Hannah Gard(i)ner and (2) Anna ----.

[5]correction: William d 4.28.1836, AE 63y 3m 11d.

[6]The "1801" date appears to be the correct one (Be15B.): ca September 1801.

Randall Spencer Bentley, who was (1) son of William Bentley and Hannah Gard(i)ner, (2) grandson of Caleb Bentley and Leah Spencer, (3) great-grandson of BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y (Jr.) and SARAH SHIPPEE, (4) great-great-grandson of THOMAS BENTL(E)Y, and (5) third-great-grandson of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y of Kingstown, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, New England, had these CH by his **first** wife Jane Barclay, 4 dtrs and 3 sons:

(a) Lavina Bentley, b 3.7.1823, d 1906;

(B) William Bentley, b 3.22.1825, d 4.5.1902, Falls City, Oregon;

(c) Maria Bentley, b 4.29.1827, d 1902, near Meaford, Ontario;

(d) Nancy Bentley, b 4.9.1830, d 1882;

(E) George Barclay Bentley, b 12.24.1832, d ----;

(f) Jane Bentley, b 12.12.1835, d 1.3.1836; and

(G) Randall Spencer Bentley, b 2.6.1838, ("b 1836," "b 2.6.1840,"), Markham, d 1915.

By his **second** wife Helen (Ogilvie) Scott, William's CH were 1 dtr and 2 sons:

(h) Helen Bentley, b 10.6.1839, d 2.14.1848;

(I) James Ogilvie Bentley, b 2.13.1842 (and d 1898—Be408-A.); and

(J) Isaac Bentley, b 3.9.1843, d 12.24.1895, at age 52 y 15 d.

Randall Spencer Bentley, Sr., had a total of ten CH; his DESC:

FDDACFa. Lavina Bentley, b 3.7.1823 (Be34D.), d 1906, m 1844, to John Inglis, Andrew's son, d 1871, machinist; res was Aylmer, ON; their 6 CH (Be36.):

FDDACFaA. Randall Inglis, b 1847, d 1868.

FDDACFab. Jane Inglis, b 1854, d 1854.

FDDACFaC. John Inglis, b 1857, d 1885.

FDDACFad. Ellen Inglis, b 1858, m Albert Sutherland; res: Grover, SD.

FDDACFadA. James Inglis Sutherland, b 1893.

FDDACFae. Alice Lavina Inglis, b 1860; res: Lyons, ON; m 1896 to John McNeil; CH:

FDDACFaeA. Harold Inglis McNeil.

FDDACFaf. Nancy Inglis, b 1862; res was Aylmer, ON (Be36.).

FDDACFB. William Bentley, b 3.22.1825, Markham Twp, York Co., ON; d 4.5.1902, Falls City, Oregon; occupation, miller and mill wright. He was m 10.13.1847, Pilkington, ON, to Hannah Luckitt ("Luckett"--Be36.) ("Hannah Luckett"—Be408.A.), b 10.2.1826, Byfield, England, dtr of George. Hannah d 5.31.1887, Richmond, VA; their eight CH:

FDDACFBA. George Bentley, b 1.29.1849, Markham, d 2.9.1849, Markham, ON.

FDDACFBb. Elizabeth Jane Bentley, b 10.25.1852, "Willmington" (?) Co., m David Ruxton Isaac; her res (1927): Kelseyville, Lake Co., CA.

FDDACFBC. William Randall Bentley (Be34.D., Be36.), b 1.11.1855, Mt. Forest, ON (Be34.D.), m Frances A. Henery (Be34.D.), m Frances Amelia Henry, b 1868, dtr of John (Be36.); res (ca 1906): Paynee Station (Pawnee?), KS (Be36.); res (1927): RR 1, Box 97, Lenox, MI (Be34D.); 4 CH (Be36.):

FDDACFBCa. Cordelia Hannah Bentley, b 1891.

FDDACFBCB. William Henry Bentley, b 1892.

FDDACFBCc. Iva May Elizabeth Bentley, b 1899.

FDDACFBCD. Thomas Luckitt Bentley, b 1901, d 1906.

FDDACFBd. Lavina Mary Bentley, b 2.19.1858, Mt. Forest, ON (Be34.D.); m 1886 (Be36.) to Henry Asa Parker (Be34D., Be36.), merchant, son of Joseph (Be36.); res (ca 1905, 1927): Manistique, MI. Their CH (Be36.):

FDDACFBdA. Frederick Cecil Parker, b 1889, d 1890.

FDDACFBdB. Miner Spencer Parker, b 1893.

FDDACFBdC. E. (?) (?) Luckett Parker, b 1895.

FDDACFBE. Thomas Bentley, b 4.26.1860, Mt. Forest, ON; d 4.29.1860, Mt. Forest (Be34.D.).

FDDACFBf. Maria Hannah (or Hannah Maria) Bentley, childless, b 5.12.1862, Mt. Forest, ON; m 11.27.1900, Salem, OR, to Ira Foreman; res (1927): 3722½ E. 3rd St., Los Angeles, CA (Be34.C.). Maria stated (1927) that she had a **photograph** of Gideon Bentley taken

> when he was 105 years old with 130 of Gideon's descendants present at the reunion in 1856. Gideon was born in 1751 and[1] died in Constantia, NY, in 1858 . . . was a grandson of THOMAS BENTLEY . . . retained his mental strength to the very last and for many years was known as the 'Patriarch of Constantia.' Gideon was a young man of twenty-five years when the Declaration of Independence was written.

Maria's great-great grandfather Caleb's brother Gideon was a Patriot soldier in the Revolutionary War (Gideon, **Be:FDDF.**). This searcher was pleased when he received a copy of the photo included in this book from one of Caleb's descendants, Mrs. Karen (Berns) Wheaton of Ann Arbor.

In 1927, Maria quoted the "Bentley-Bunyan" connection (see **Be59.**).

[1]This searcher believes that the preceding dates of "1751" and "1856" should read "1750" and "1855."

FDDACFBG. James Samual Bentley, b 7.31.1865, Mt. Forest, ON. James wrote, ". . . we have a very large unsettled estate in the Bentley called the **Lawrance Estate**" (1927). After retirement he was a Sunday School Supt. in Spalding, MI, m 6.6.1894, St. Clair, MI, to Tillie D. Beach, b 4.23.1873, St. Clair, MI; res (1927): 164 N. Gage St., Los Angeles, CA (Be34.C.); 3 CH:

FDDACFBGA. Charles Clair Bentley, b 4.21.1896, Manistique, MI, m Carrie Simpson; res (1927): Los Angeles, CA.

FDDACFBGB. Ross Everett Bentley, b 6.16.1900, Spalding, MI, d 3.21.1901, Spalding, MI.

FDDACFBGC. William Earl Bentley, b 4.23.1902, Spalding, MI, res (1927): Los Angeles, CA; single in 1927.

FDDACFBH. George Thomas Luckitt Bentley, b 7.30.1870, Invermay, MI, d 2.15.1919 (?), MI.

FDDACFc. Maria, b 4.29.1827 (Be34.D.), d 1902 (Be36.) or d 1901 (Be408A.), m **Duncan Sinclair**, compiler of the ms. entitled **"The Life and Ancestry of Randall Spencer Bentley,"** ca 1890 (Be61.) (see **Be:FDDACF.**); res (1890—ca 1902): near Meaford, ON, Canada (Be34.D., Be36., see Be59.); their 5 CH (Be36.) (see page 1328 for revision, etc.):

FDDACFcA. John Sinclair, m Annie Knowles.

FDDACFcB. George Sinclair, lived in ON.

FDDACFcC. William Sinclair.

FDDACFcD. David Sinclair, lived in Chicago, IL.

FDDACFce. Jane Sinclair, d before 1884, m Robert Anderson; res (was): Orangeville, ON.

FDDACFd. Nancy Bentley, b 4.9.1830 (Be408.C., Be34.D.), d 1882 (Be36.) or d 2.27.1884 (Be408.C.), m Rev. Edmund Shep(p)ard, d 1892 (Be36.), or m 1849, Edmond Sheppard (Be408.C.).

According to his "personal sketch" appearing in the **1877 Historical Atlas for Elgin County, Ontario** (Be64.):

> **Edmund Sheppard** is a man of no ordinary cast of mind . . . His public labors have been extensive and mainly in two fields, educational and evangelical, and in both of these, a self-denying missionary earnestness has been his characteristic. His is certainly no treadmill style, but that of a man who seeks the better way, and is always able to give a reason for the faith that is in him.
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> Mr. Sheppard was **born in Newark (Nottinghamshire), England, in the year 1823,** emigrated to Canada in the spring of **1843**. commenced school teaching in the township of Markham in the year 1844, attended Bethany College for some time, and settled in South Dorchester in the year 1848. Mr. Sheppard early recognized the importance of our national system of education and the share of its ad-

ministration, which devolved upon him, was performed with ability and zeal.

E. Sheppard was appointed to the office of Local Supt. of Schools and for N. and S. Dorchester in 1850. In 1859 he was appointed Supt. of Schools for the East Riding of Elgin and later that of the West Riding. He resigned because the labors of the office for the whole county, with much travelling, lecturing and preaching, severely taxed his health and bodily strength. In Sept. 1867, the teachers of the county presented him with a fine tea service of silver and a complimentary address on parchment, expressive of their appreciation and good will.

Mr. Sheppard soon after removed to Bowmanville, where he remained three years; he then returned, and now resides in the **township of South Dorchester,** his chosen home and the scene of his early labors. **In 1848 Mr. Sheppard was married to Miss Nancy Bently, also of English descent, and a great, great grand daughter of the sister of John Bunyan.**[1]

They have had **twelve children**, but the fires of affliction have been often kindled upon their family altar, and only **four** are living. One son, **Edmund E.**, is one of the Professors, and has also a joint proprietorship in Olathe Academy in **Kansas**, United States.

Although Mr. Sheppard has done much for the cause of education and has distinguished himself by his lectures on scientific subjects, his life work thus far has been that of the Christian Teacher, and he was indeed the pioneer of the people known as the "Disciples of Christ," or the Christian Church, in Western Ontario. He is affable and interesting in conversation, active and able in controversy, and, in fine, his Characteristics are those of the earnest and zealous worker—the man who never forgets friends, nor relaxes his efforts in the cause he loves.

The Disciples have now five places of worship in the county (Elgin), with a membership constantly increasing (Be64.).

Very little is known by this searcher of the descendants of Edmund and Nancy (Bentley) Sheppard. From the preceding sketch, we learn that they had a total of 12 children, only 4 of whom were living in 1877, including their

[1]Nancy Bentl(e)y (**Be:FDDACFd.**) was a great, great-granddaughter of BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y (**Be:FDD.**). If there is a genealogical connection between John Bunyan and our mutual Bentley ancestor, it would likely be John Bunyan's maternal grandfather who **is** very likely the paternal grandfather of BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y'S grandfather WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y and is another WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y (**Bedfordshire**, England). If the necessary proof can be found in England, the evidence will be a significant genealogical find. The above statement and those of Nancy's brother-in-law Duncan Sinclair regarding an ancestral tie with a "sister of John Bunyan" have provided interesting leads, particularly in view of the one-page handwritten ms. in the RI Historical Society Library bearing the names of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y'S children and those of his son THOMAS with the first two lines reading: "William Bently Born in Amphill in **Bedfordshire** England and Departed this Life in Kingstown . . ." **(Be111.)**. Equating the Christening date (1640) of John Bunyan's first-cousin (Ampthill) "William Bentl(e)y" with the calculated birth date of the Kingstown "WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y" (b Ampthill, Bedfordshire) (**Will** sealed 7.11.1720, d ae. 83 y 11 days) is a challenge **(Be201., Be111.)**.

son Edmund E. Shep(p)ard, who at that time was a professor in KS (Be64.). Another source indicates that there were two sons and nine dtrs including two sets of twins; six of them d young (Be408.C.). Titus indicated only two of the offspring, including Edmund (Be36.). A tentative classification of the two of twelve CH:

FDDACFdA. Edmund (Be36.) or Edmund E. (Be64.) or E. E. (Be408.C.) Shep(p)ard, m with "several" CH; lived in Toronto, Ontario (Be36.). E. E. Sheppard d 11.6.1924, San Diego, CA (Be408.C.).

FDDACFdb. Eliza (?) (illegible name) Shep(p)ard, m Samuel Legg, d 1904; 3 CH (Be36.), names unknown, one of whom was:

FDDACFdbA. Douglas Legg. No further data available. On 9.20.1978, James C. Bentley **(Be:FDDACEHCC.)** wrote a letter to this searcher stating that on the back of a note, sent from Emma (Bentley) Miller **(Be:FDDACFEc.)** to his father Roy during World War II, was this statement: "Douglas Legg, Nancy's grandson, was supposed to have data relative to Bentleys who lived in Canada." Douglas Legg's address was unknown.

FDDACFE. George Barclay (Be36.) Bentley, b 12.24.1832 (Be34.D.), d 4.1926, m **first** 12.12.1856, Dorchester, ON (Be408.C.), Sarah Abigail Buck (Be36., Be34.D.), dtr of Jacob (Be36.), b 1.31.1834, d 1872; had 2 sons and 2 dtrs (Be408.C.); res: Yale, St. Clair Co., MI.

FDDACFEA. Anson Jacob Randall Bentley, farmer, res was Bendennis, KS; m 1882, Grace Creager; their 7 CH (Be36.):

FDDACFEAa. Sarah Elizabeth Bentley, b 1884.

FDDACFEAB. George Creager Bentley, b 1886.

FDDACFEAc. Gertrude Grace Bentley, b 1890.

FDDACFEAD. Benjamin Franklin Bentley, b 1893.

FDDACFEAe. Anna Josephine Bentley, b 1898.

FDDACFEAF. Anson Buck Bentley, b 1902.

FDDACFEAG. Eugene Julian Bentley, b 1905.

FDDACFEb. Gertrude Mehitable Bentley, b 1862, m 1888, Rev. Dennison McCall,[1] son of John McCall and Jessie Courlay; res was Yale, MI; 3 CH (Be36.):

FDDACFEbA. George Bentley McCall, b 1890, d 1890.

FDDACFEbB. Lloyd Courlay McCall, b 1891.

FDDACFEbc. Jessie Emma McCall, b 1893.

FDDACFEC. William Edmund Bentley, b 1865 (Be408.A.); Medical Doctor, b 1868, m 1906, Maud Alice Cooper, res (1907): Catalpa, KS; only known CH (probably others later) (Be36., Titus: 7-561/7-1492):

[1] Who, in 1949, was known as "Mrs. Henry McCall, Imlay City, MI," referred to in a letter **(Be408B.)**?

FDDACFECA. Thomas George Buck Bentley, b 1907 (Be36.).

FDDACFEd. Emma Eliza Bentley, b 1870; res was Yale, MI (Be36.); b 1869, m 1903, Larren W. Miller (Be408.A.).

In a letter that she wrote to Mrs. A. H. (Cora) Beach, Casper, WY, before 1926, she stated,

> My grandfather, Randall Spencer Bentley, was born in Rhode Island (on) April 10, 1800, son of William and Hannah Bentley. My great-grandparents, William and Hannah, are buried on the old place, Markham, Ontario, which was reserved by grandfather . . . (Be34.B.4.).

Although this searcher did **not** locate a "Genealogical Record" sheet for her as a Bentley descendant, this searcher **did** find in the MLH "Bentley Safe-Mss." in the NEHGSL, Boston, in 7.1977, the abstract from the letter (of genealogical importance) originally written by a "Mrs. L. W. Miller" of Quinter, KS (Cove Co.) (Be34.B.4.). Clearly she stated the name of her grandfather Randall Spencer Bentley and identified him as the son of William Bentley; however, she neglected to name her own father.

Her maiden name was **not** determined until 9.1.1977, by telephone inquiry. **Mrs. L. W. Miller** was identified as **Emma Eliza Bentley (Be:FDDACFEd.)**, the sister of Will and Anson Bentley, by a former student of hers. She was further identified by a relative on the same day by her ex-student's referral, a son of her first-cousin (see further on for A. R. Bentley, **Be:FDDACFGC.**, for the discovery of her identity).

George Barclay Bentley **(Be:FDDACFE.)** m secondly, Komoka, ON, Christa McDonald; one CH:

FDDACFEE. Duncan Alexander Bentley, b 1876; lived in Saginaw, MI (Be36.). Duncan was b 6.18.1876, Deanville, MI, m Carrie Drennan (Be408.C.).

FDDACFf. Jane Bentley, b 12.12.1835; d 1.3.1836, Stouffville, York Co., ON (Be408.C.).

FDDACFG. Randall Spencer Bentley, Jr., b 1836 (Be36.), b 2.6.1838 (Be34.D.), b 2.6 (Be37.), b ca 1837 (Be60.), b Markham, ON, Canada; res (1907): Jerome, KS (Be37.); res was Vahalla, Cove Co., KS (Be36.); m 2.24.1876 (Be37.), m 1876 (Be36.), St. Vincent, ON (Be37.), to Sarah Elizabeth Laycock (Be37.), to "Sarah Lacock" (Be36.), to "Sarah Laycock" (Be34.D.), b 11.1.1848 (Be37.), b 1849 (Be36.), dtr of Bryan La(y)cock and Margaret Maria Williams (Be36., Be37.), who was the dtr of Mrs. Selina (Brewster) Williams. Sarah (Laycock) Bentley was a tenth-generation descendant of William Brewster of the "Mayflower" and ruling Elder of the Pilgrim Church which founded Plymouth Colony in 1620 (Be37.). Sarah d ae. 102 y (Be60.).

According to a copy of a 1952 **Arizona Daily Star**, Tucson, AZ, newspaper article (obliterated date) received from Karen (Berns) Wheaton of Ann Arbor, MI,

> Sarah Elizabeth Bentley, 103, died last night at her home at 1220 North Euclid avenue. Born in Canada and raised on a farm at Georgian Lake, Ontario, Mrs. Bentley came to Tucson in 1921. Formerly a school teacher, she was married to Randall S. Bentley in 1867. Shortly after her marriage, she went to Nebraska where her husband was a pioneer farmer. The couple moved to Kansas 10 years later, where they continued farming. Mrs. Bentley is survived by a daughter Evalyn Bentley of Tucson, for many years Pima county home demonstration agent for the University of Arizona. Mrs. Bentley remained active in her old age, traveling back to Kansas for a family reunion in 1945 and taking a 3,600-mile motor tour with her daughter in 1946, when she was 97.

The article was illustrated with a photo of her "as she prepared to celebrate her 99th birthday, in the fall of 1947."

According to Rod Bentley **(Be:FDDACFGCD.)** of Shields, KS, grandson of Randall Spencer Bentley, Jr. **(Be:FDDACFG.)**, Randall was born in Canada, grew up there, was married there, and moved to Franklin Co., NE, in the late 1870's where he operated a mill. Later he moved to Phillips Co., KS, then to Rooks Co., Trego Co., then to Gove Co., KS, where they had a small place where they stayed a year or so before moving to south Cove County on the Smoky Hill River where he and his family "put together" a good sized ranch where they farmed wheat and raised lots of cattle. He was one of the first ranchers to ship in cattle from the South (Arkansas) by rail. Sarah operated the Post Office of Valhalla for many years. Randall Spencer Bentley d 1915. His three sons all became ranchers; the ranching has been continued by several grandsons (Be60.)

Randall Spencer Bentley and Sarah Laycock had these 5 CH: (Be37., Bee60.): Fred L., Evelyn A., Arthur R., Mabel Rose, and Ross Spencer Bentley; their DESC:

FDDACFGA. Fred ("Fritz") Louis (Lewis--?) Bentley (Be36., Be37., Be60.), b 11.25.1876, Friend, NE; m 1.17.1898, Gove, KS, to Selma Nora Maxwell, b 10.1.1878, Hebron, WV, dtr of Darwin Maxwell (Be37.), **ie** dtr of Darwin Stanton Maxwell and (----) Simons (Be36.); their 5 CH:

FDDACFGAA. Verne Stanton Bentley, b 10.7.1898, Jerome, KS (Be37.).

FDDACFGAB. Ronald Spencer Bentley, b 12.3.1899, Jerome, KS (Be37.).

FDDACFGAC. Leonard Maxwell Bentley, b 1902 (Be36.).

FDDACFGAD. Clayton Stanley Bentley, b 1903 (Be36.).

FDDACFGAe. Hazel Bentley (Be60.).

FDDACFGb. Evalyne Annetta Bentley, b 5.25.1878, Friend, NE (Be37.).

Evalyn Annette, daughter of Randal and Sarah Bentley, never married, attended Kansas State University, and later Oregon State University. She worked with the Hopi Indians for a few years in Arizona and then became Home Demonstration Agent in Pima Co. (Tucson), a position she held for many years until retiring about 1949. She was struck by a car and killed in 1959 (Be60.).

FDDACFGC. Arthur Randall Bentley, b 1.1.1884, Riverton, NE (Be37.). Arthur's son Roderick Bruce Bentley of Shields, KS (67874), was contacted by this searcher-cousin on 9.1.1977, by telephone (1-316-395-5669). How did this searcher locate Cousin Roderick Bentley? What was the evolution of events leading to that phone call?

This searcher knew (from **ref. Be34B.,** located less than two months previously in the NEHGSL, Boston) that ca 1926, a Mrs. L. W. Miller of Quinter, KS, granddaughter of Randall Spencer Bentley, Sr. **(Be:FDDACF.)**, had supplied genealogical information to Mrs. A. H. (Cora M.) Beach of Casper, WY (Be34.B.). This fact would hopefully lead to the discovery of a living descendant of William Bentley **(Be:FDDAC.)** of RI and Markham, ON. William Bentley lived in Markham Twp at the same time that his uncle SAMUEL BENTLEY **(Be:FDDD.)** (VII.25.) (Be15.B., Be15.E.) was there in the early 1800's.

This searcher had worked on the Bentley genealogy through the months of July and August (1977) for many hours each day. Taking a "break" on 8.31.1977, to rest his weary eyes, he drove from his home in Long Beach to the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion at the Music Center, Los Angeles, to see a new musical hit.

After the show this searcher visited the "Genealogy" section of the Los Angeles General Library at 5:55 pm to verify the tombstone-inscription death-date and age-at-death recorded for Captain Randall Bentley **(Be:FDDAB.)**. The information had been sent to this searcher recently from Edwin Bentley of Seattle, a reliable searcher. A recheck of the published source was extremely important because the information was essential in determing the genealogical classification (based upon the birth sequence) of brothers Randall and William. Who was the older brother---Randall or William? This tombstone inscription could help to supply the answer. Since the "Genealogy" section on Wednesdays closes at 6:00 pm, the information would have to be obtained by way of telephone on the next morning.

This searcher then decided to drive to the Long Beach Main Library, located near his home, for a certain book. The local-history section of the library did not catalog the desired book. The limited "genealogical section" there did not entice this searcher at the time. Before leaving the library, thoughts turned to the possibility of making a quick search in the unique collection of current telephone-directories (USA).

The directory for Casper, WY, was located and several persons named "Beach" noted. At least one of them perhaps would be knowledgeable regarding the genealogist (1920's) Mrs. Cora Beach; no follow-up was made.

Perhaps a living "Miller" in Quinter, KS, could be located; no directory could be located for Quinter. Then this thought occurred, "Why not try, **via** the information operator the next morning, to contact a Miller of Quinter?"

On the following morning of 9.1.1977, still hopeful of learning how **Mrs. L. W. Miller of Quinter, KS (ca 1926),** was related (unknown maiden name) to the known Bentleys—related other than just as a "granddaughter of Randall Spencer Bentley"—this searcher **called** the information-operator in that part of KS. The operator **found** a listing for "L. W. Miller" in Quinter! Could she still be living in 1977? No time was lost in phoning. A "Mrs. L. W. Miller" answered the phone.

No, she was **not** the right "Miller"—not even a remote relative of a relative. A noise from a machine at her end of the line interrupted our conversation. She explained that the noise was from a **tree trimmer** (!!) and we shortened our visit. She volunteered the name of her own mother-in-law, Mrs. L. **R.** Miller of Ellis, KS, who had lived just a few miles south of **Quinter** in **1927.** Hopes were kindled again!

Following this lead, this searcher **dialed** the new number. Mrs. L. **R.** (Nancy Ellen Leighton) Miller, b 8.22.1893, OK, answered. Upon learning that yours truly was on a genealogical safari, she very quickly divulged her vital statistics. She quite candidly stated that she was a proven descendant of the notorious Sheriff of Nottingham who gave the legendary Robin Hood such a bad time in Sherwood Forest, England! Although **not** related to the Mrs. L. **W.** Miller of Quinter of 1926, she very enthusiastically commented that **she knew her well!** Yes, Mrs. L. W. Miller had been Nancy's teacher when Mrs. L. R. M. (Nancy) was a little girl, the "favorite student" of hers, she "rather thought."

"Mrs. L. W. Miller was the former Emma Bentley, sister of Will and Anson Bentley," she went on to say. "Emma married late in life and had no children."

Emma's only living relative known to Mrs. L. R. Miller was "the much younger" **Roderick Bentley of Shields, KS;** she had very graciously enlightened this very attentive listener.

In a matter of just **seconds** this searcher **(Be:FDDDABecEA.)** was **talking** with Cousin Roderick Bentley **(Be:FDDACFGCD.)**, the first-heard living-descendant of **William (Caleb's son) Bentley (Be:FDDAC.)**. William was a true nephew of his Uncle Sam **(Be:FDDD.)**. Before exchanging greetings and comparing ancestral notes, **Roderick explained that his father Arthur Randall Bentley (Be:FDDACFGC.) was a first-cousin of Mrs. L. W. (Emma Eliza Bentley) Miller (Be:FDDACFEd.).**

Arthur Randall Bentley **(Be:FDDACFGC.)** attended Kansas State College at Manhattan where he played varsity football. He was on the track team high jumping and running the 440. On one of his high jumps he broke the state record.

Art spent his life on a ranch and as a hobby collected guns and made many big-game hunting-trips to Canada, Alaska, Wyoming, Idaho, Montana, and Colorado — to name a few places. In 1950 he and Vera moved to nearby Dighton. As another hobby he rode with the "Wagons Ho" from its inception in 1964 until 1975. He was scout and historian of the commercial vacation wagon-trip. In 1974 at the age of 90 he decided to have a "Gun Auction" of his gun collection in Dodge City; the event drew a crowd from Ohio to New Mexico to bid on his fine collection of 260 guns.

Art died on June 22, 1976, at the age of **92 y.** His mother had attained the age of **102 y.**

Arthur Randall Bentley and wife Vera Jennison were m 6.4.1913; their five CH: Reva Louise, Leora Evalyn, Ada May, Roderick Bruce, and Robert Jennison Bentley.

FDDACFGCa. Reva Louise Bentley

FDDACFGCb. Leora Evalyn Bentley

FDDACFGCc. Ada May Bentley

FDDACFGCD. Roderick Bruce Bentley, **corresponding cousin (1977)**, b 1.20.1921. He served in the Army Air Force during World War II. Rod m 7.16.1944, Sarah Lee Flora. Rod became a Gove County, KS, rancher-farmer. He served in the Kansas State House of Representatives from 1955 to 1959. Their three Ch: Sarah Sue, Frederick Randall, and Dana Marie Bentley; DESC:

FDDACFGCDa. Sarah Sue Bentley

FDDACFGCDB. Frederick Randall Bentley, b ----, attended Kansas State University and later Washburn Law School at Topeka, KS, being admitted to the bar in 1973. Fred m 1969, Janice Pomphern; their two CH: (1977):

FDDACFGCDBa. Tara Leigh Bentley, b 1974.

FDDACFGCDBb. Suzanne Bentley, b 1977.

FDDACFGCDc. Dana Marie Bentley

FDDACFGCE. Robert Jennison Bentley, b 4.5.1926, was a Second Lieutenant in World War II, U.S. Army Air Force. Later he m Patricia Ballam in Victoria, BC, Canada, where he was graduated from the University of British Columbia with a degree in history. He was called back to serve in the Korean Conflict. He later joined the Royal Canadian Air Force becoming a bomber pilot and advancing to First Lieutenant. While stationed with the RCAF at Montreal, Quebec, Canada, his plane crashed from a high altitude near St. Albans, VT, 12.2.1956, and he was killed. Robert and Patricia had 3 sons:

Be:F. William Bentl(e)y, "b Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England;" b ca 6.1637; d AE "83y 11d;" Will proved July 11, 1720, Kingstown (RI); "Chr. September 13, 1640, Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England" (incongruency?). William's spouse Sarah, named in his Will, d North Kingstown (RI), December 28, 1731.

William's father John Bentl(e)y, Chr. November 5, 1608, at Elstow; bur March 26, 1666, Ampthill; m October 3, 1630, at Ampthill, Bedfordshire, to Mary Betts.

William's grandfather William Bentl(e)y, m May 18/20, 1601, Bedford, St. Paul's to Mary Goodwin, buried July 1, 1632 (widow).

William's aunt Margaret Bentl(e)y, Chr. Nov. 13, 1603 (?), at Elstow, Bedfordshire, m May 23, 1627, Thomas Bunnion, Chr. February 24, 1602, at Elstow; their eldest son John Bunyan, Chr. November 30, 1628, Elstow, was the author of **Pilgrim's Progress.** The leads to the Bedfordshire Bunyan-Bentley connection were provided by (1) Randall Spencer Bentley **(Be:FDDACF.)** as related to his son-in-law Duncan Sinclair (Be61.) and (2) the **"Bible** transcription record" reposing in the Rhode Island Historic Society Be111.).

Be:FD. Thomas Bentl(e)y, b 6.19.1685 (likely Kings Town, at the time "Rochester"); Will written June 15, 1772, proved April 15, 1778, Exeter (RI), proved 92y 9m 26d after his birth; m June 6, 1706, North Kingstown (RI), to Elizabeth "Chamberland," the mother of his children.

Thomas Bentl(e)y's spouse at the time of his death and who was left his "Great **Bible,**" according to his Will, was Mary. Did this **Bible** have a transcription record? Was the **Bible** inherited by onef the Bentley descendants?

Be:FDD. Benjamin Bentl(e)y, b July 5, 1717, d March 15, 179?, m before 1739, Sarah Shippee, the mother of his children.

Be:FDDA. Caleb Bentl(e)y, b August 25, 1739, Exeter (RI), d December 17, 1825, West Greenwich, RI, AE 86y 3m 22d; m before 1764, Leah Spencer, d January 25, 1826, AE 83 y.

Be:FDDAC. William Bentley, b January 17, 1773, Exeter (RI), "d April 28, 1836, AE 63y 3m 11d," Markham Twp., York Co., Ontario, Canada; m first Hannah Gard(i)ner, mother of his children, d *ca* September of 1801.

Be:FDDACF. Randall Spencer Bentley, Sr., b March/April 10, 1800, d SD, October 13, 1893, AE 93+y; m January 13, 1822, Pickering Twp., Ontario Co., Ontario, Canada, to Jane Barclay, b August 22, 1803, Couper, Scotland, d June 7, 1838, Markham, his first wife.

Be:FDDACFG. Randall Spencer Bentley, Jr., b February 6, 1838, Markham, York Co., Ontario, d 1915, Valhalla, Gove Co., KS; m February 24, 1876, St. Vincent, ON, to Sarah Elizabeth Laycock, b November 1, 1848, d AE "102y," Valhalla, KS.

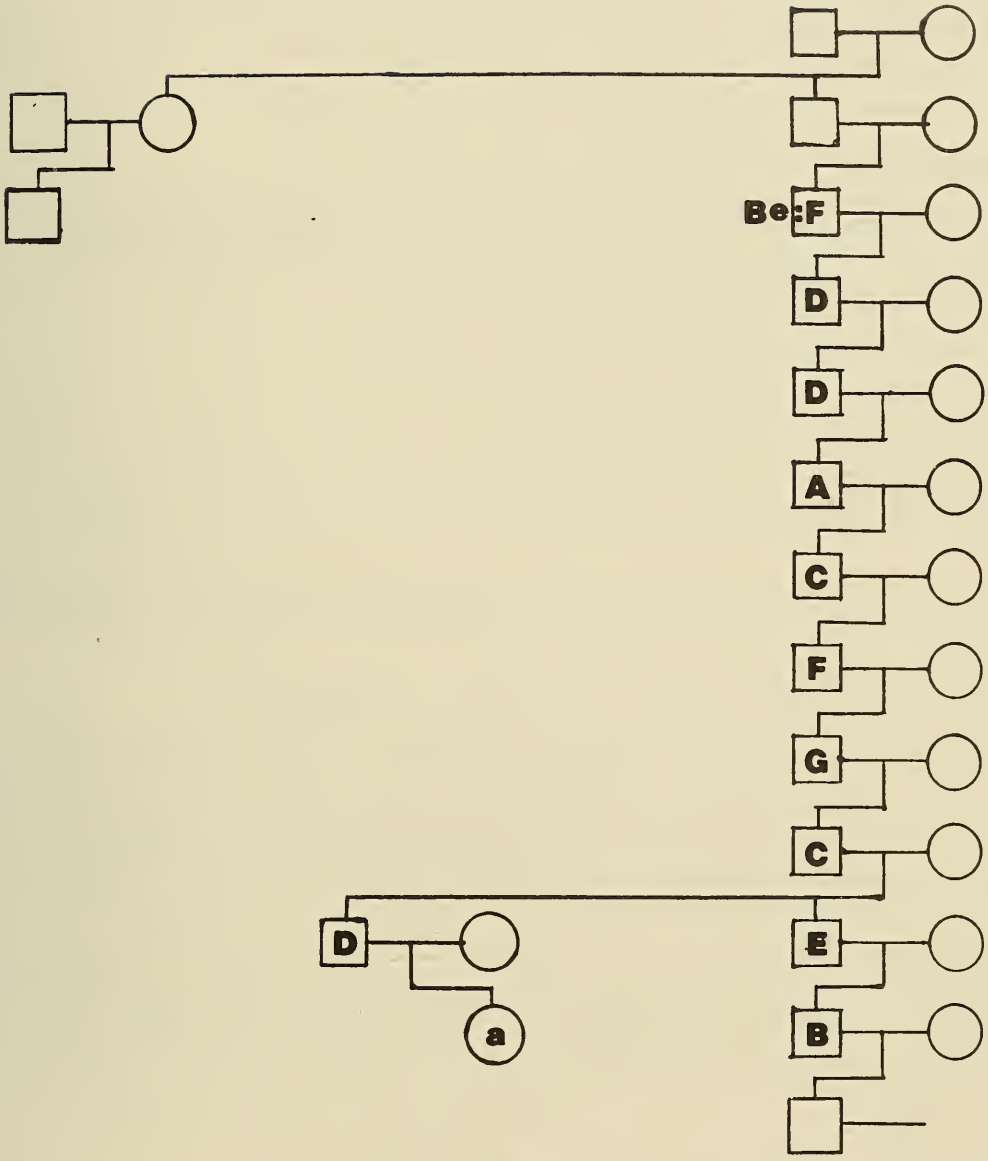
Be:FDDACFGC. Arthur Randall Bentley, b January 1, 1884, Riverton, NE, d June 22, 1976, Dighton, KS, AE 92y 5m 21d; m June 4, 1913, Vera Jennison.

Be:FDDACFGCD. Roderick Bruce Bentley, o January 20, 1921, Gove Co., KS, res (1978): Shields, KS; m July 16, 1944, Sarah Lee Flora.

Be:FDDACFGCE. Robert Jennison Bentley, b April 5, 1926, pilot, USAAF and RCAF, d December 2, 1956; m Patricia Ballam.

Be:FDDACFGCDa. Sarah Sue Bentley, Roderick's dtr.

Be:FDDACFGCEB. David Bentley, 1975 graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, NY.



RANDALL SPENCER BENTLEY, SR., **Be:FDDACF.,** AN IMPORTANT LINK IN THE BENTL(E)Y CHAIN

FDDACFGCEA. Ian Bentley

FDDACFGCEB. David Bentley, who was graduated from the U. S. Military Academy at West Point in 1975.

FDDACFGCEC. (son) Bentley, d inf.

FDDACFGd. Mabel Rose Bentley, b 3.8.1886, Riverton, NE (Be.37). Mabel m Carl Imes (spell.?); their two CH (Be.60.):

FDDACFGdA. Randall Imes

FDDACFGdb. Virginia Imes

FDDACFGE. Ross Spencer Bentley, b 11.26.1887, Phillipsburg, KS (Be.37.); **first** m ca 1916, Gladys Coberly, who d 1940, from complications following appendicitis. Their three CH (Be.60.):

FDDACFGEa. Elizabeth Bentley

FDDACFGEB. Wendell Bentley

FDDACFGEc. Evalyn Bentley

Ross Spencer Bentley **(Be: FDDACFGE.) secondly** m 9.1944, Ellen Blatner.

Randall Spencer Bentley, Sr. **(Be: FDDACF.),** m **secondly** Helen Ogilvie, widow of (anon.) Scott; their 3 CH: (h) Helen, (I) James O., and (J) Isaac; their DESC (Be34.C., Be34.D., Be36.):

FDDACFh. Helen Bentley, b 10.6.1839, d 2.14.1848.

FDDACFI. James Ogilvie Bentley (Be34.C.), b 2.13.1842, Malahide Twp., Elgin Co., ON, Canada. He had lived successively in Dorchester, ON; Bradley, SD; and La Crosse, WI. He was a physician, a graduate of Hanneman College, Chicago, IL. In his community he was a member of the Elgin County Council and Elder and Deacon of the Christian Church. "He took up government land in the year 1881 in South Dakota," according to his **second** wife Celia, whose res (1927) was RR 1 (Box 88), Huntington Beach, CA (Be34.C.). James d 1898 (Be408.A.). James m **first** Cynthia McDonald; CH:

FDDACFIa. Ellen May Bentley (Be34.), b 1864, m George Littlejohn, attorney (Be36.).

FDDACFIb. (anon. dtr) Bentley, d inf (Be34.).

James Ogilvie Bentley **(Be: FDDACFI.)** m **secondly** 12.20.1866, Aylmer, ON, Celia Maria McKinney, b 6.13.1847, Elgin Co., ON, Robert's dtr; 3 CH: (c) Bessie C., (D) George F., and (E) Lewis J. Bentley; DESC:

FDDACFIc. Bessie Christina Bentley (Be36.), b 12.22.1869, Aylmer, Elgin Co., ON, Canada; res (1927): Huntington Beach, CA (Be34.D.), m Myron Alfred Turner, RR Postal Clerk, son of Wes. C. (Be36.); earlier res: La Crosse, WI; 3 CH (Be36.) (others later?):

FDDACFIca. Forest Bentley Turner, b 1897.

FDDACFIcB. Kenneth Turner, b 1900, d 1902.

FDDACFIcC. Glen Corbin Turner, b 1905.

FDDACFID. George Frederick Bentley (Be34.D.), b 7.6.1872, Aylmer, ON; m Ella (Be34.D.) or Ellen (Be36.) Dance, Edward's dtr, b 1878, d before 1927 (Be34.D.); res (ca 1906): Riverside, CA; 1 CH (possibly others later?) (Be36.):

FDDACFIDa. Vivian Muriel Dance Bentley, b 1906.

FDDACFIE. Lewis James Bentley (Be34.C., Be36.), b 6.10.1875, Aylmer, ON; attended a business college in La Crosse, WI. He was a farmer, realtor, and grocer. Lewis was the Mayor of San Jacinto, CA, for six years, was an Elder in the Christian Church, and a member of the Claremont City Council for four years. Lewis m 6.15.1900, La Crosse, WI, to Emma Wilhelm, Warner's dtr, b 4.21.1873, La Crosse, WI, d 1911. After his marriage he lived successively in Bradley, SD; La Crosse, WI; and San Jacinto, CA; res (1927): 446 W. 6th St., Claremont, CA (Be34.C., also Be34.D.—"Louise M. Bentley," unidentified Bentley). Their 2 CH:

FDDACFIEA. Warner James Bentley, b 12.3.1902, Bradley, SD; was attending Yale Univ. in 1927.

FDDACFIEB. Frederick Erwin Bentley, b 5.21.1908, San Jacinto, CA; res (1927): Claremont, CA.

FDDACFJ. Isaac Bentley, b 3.9.1843, Aylmer, Elgin Co., On; d 12.24.1895, Detroit, MI, physician and surgeon, graduate of Pulte Medical College, Cincinnati, OH; resided in Mapletown, ON, and Detroit, MI (Be34.C.); bur Necropolis Cem., nr Mapleton, ON (Be38.). Isaac m **first** near St. Thomas, ON, Alma Euphemia Smith, William's dtr, b near St. Thomas, ON, 1844, d 3.2.1874, ae. 30 y, also bur in Necropolis Cem. (Be38.). Their son:

FDDACFJA. William Spencer Bentley, b 10.20.1870 (Be408.C.), b 10.20.1872, near St. Thomas, ON (Be34C.); m 8.3.1893 (Be34C, Be408C.), Detroit, MI, Mary Jane Munro, Colin's dtr (Be34C.), b 5.3.1872 (Be408C.), near St. Thomas, ON; her mother was Melissa (Davis) Munro (Be34C.). Wm S.B. d 8.28.1937, Sioux Falls, SD (Be408C.).

William Spencer Bentley, M.D., and Major, up to 1928, had successively lived with his wife in Detroit, MI; Bradley, SD; Gary, SD; Hot Springs and Rapid City, SD (home), and on duty with the U.S. Veterans Bureau, Sioux Falls, SD. He has been a member of the SD Legislature for two terms, Mayor of Hot Springs, SD, for four years; over 20 years of military service in the National Guard and Reserves. He held the rank as Major which he held in reserves (1928), was in Federal Service, Mexican Border 1916 and 1917, served in World War I from start to finish overseas two and one-half years, rank of Major, Medical Corps. He held many minor offices as president of boards of health, school board, etc.

In his letter of 1.17.1928, addressed and sent to **Mr. Harry C. Bentley,** 921 Boylston Street, Boston, MA (the Bostonian Bentley who had hired Mrs. Mary Lovering Holman as the Bentley Family Genealogist and appeared to have also hired Emilie Sarter later), Major Bentley, M.D., of SD, wrote this (extract from letter in the MLH "Bentley Safe-ms." in **The New England Historic Genealogical Society Library,** Boston):

> Yours received several months ago, I did not answer at the time as I was expecting to get some more information relative to the Bentleys from **a lady who has been doing the work for me.** Enclosed you will find what information that I have been able to obtain from time to time. I might say that **I have just completed evidence** and applied for admission to the Sons of the Revolution.
>
> Several years ago I had quite a bit of **correspondence with a Dr. Titus,** a Captain in the U. S. Army and later a Major, who was getting up a genealogy of the Bentley family, was going to have it published, but died. Since that time I have heard nothing about his work. . . if I could have a copy of some of the charts that **Mrs. Holman** has — provided it is not too much trouble — I might be able to (put) in some of the missing information. Dr. Titus, whom I referred to above, once wrote me that I had furnished him some missing evidence that he had not been able to obtain elsewhere. . .

Searcher's comment: The above-mentioned "a lady" could possibly refer to Mrs. A. H. (Cora M.) Beach, genealogist of Casper, WY.

Dr. William Spencer Bentley **(Be:FDDACFJA.), C 1928 MLH (Be34.C.),** and wife Mary had two CH:

FDDACFJAa. Norma Alma Bentley, b 7.1896, Gary, SD, m James R. Bolen; res (1928): Aitkin, MN (Be34.C.). "Norma was b 7.23.1896" (Be408C.).

FDDACFJAB. James Ogilvie Bentley, b 3.1898, Gary, SD; res (1928): Rapid City, SD (single) (Be34.C.). James was b 3.15.1898" (Be408C.).

Isaac Bentley **(Be:FDDACFJ.)** m **secondly** 1.7.1880, Aylmer, ON, Eliza Munro, b 11.6.1849, ON, d 8.2.1915, Detroit, MI, dtr of Donald and Mary (MacLean) Munro; their 2 CH: (B) Neil and (C) James D. Bentley; DESC:

FDDACFJB. Neil Isaac Bentley, b 11.11.1881, Mapletown, ON. Neil was a graduate of the Univ. of MI, M.D.; Elder and President of Church Board, Central Woodward Christian Church; res (1927): Detroit, MI, **C 1927 MLH (Be34.C.).** Neil m 7.25.1914, Detroit, Alice Garnock Harvey, John's dtr, b 4.14.1884, Detroit; 2 dtrs:

FDDACFJBa Margaret Elizabeth Bentley, b 9.28.1916, Detroit; res (1927): Detroit, MI.

FDDACFJBb. Alice Suzanne Bentley, b 12.9.1920, Detroit; res (1927): Detroit, MI.

FDDACFJC. James Donald Bentley, dentist, b 9.13.1884, Mapletown, ON, d 10.22.1918, Detroit, MI, m Iva G. Smith; her res (1927): Detroit, MI.

FDDAD. Nathan Bentley (Be20.); "3rd son of Caleb Bentley and wife Leah" (Be69.); b 1.24.1777, West Greenwich (Be32.E.); "of West Greenwich," Kent Co., RI, son of Caleb, m by Elder Ellet Locke, 7.6.1801, East Greenwich, Kent Co., RI, to Mercy Nichols (Be32.B.), "b 2.8.1780" (ggs F.P.B., **C 1927 MLH**) (Be34.C.), East Greenwich, RI, John's dtr, of East Greenwich (A., JN, **VR-RI,** I, EG, 9; EG2:102). Mercy d 7.3.1855, Van Buren (ggs F.P.B. **C 1927 MLH**).

Nathan moved to Onondaga Co., NY, in 1804, settled in Pompey; he moved to Van Buren in 1808, and purchased the Bentley homestead, which was still in the family in 1894 (Be176.).

William C. Bentley **(Be:FDDABB.),** Nathan's nephew, the son of Randall (Caleb's son), of Butternuts, Otsego Co., NY, wrote in a letter dated 1.19.1861,

> My father died in Albany, 1824. He had two brothers, **Nathan** and **William** whom I remember seeing when I was a boy. **Nathan** lived in the town of Camillus.[1] **William** was a Baptist Clergyman and removed to Canada (Be34.B.1.).

"Nathan Bentley" of "the Town of Carmilous in the County of Anedaga in the State of New York" was named in an indenture or agreement for the lease and settlement of Bentley property in Rhode Island between his brother William Bentley and their parents Caleb and Leah. One of the provisions of the document, dated March 7, 1814, obligates William to pay "Nathan" $100 within one year after their father Caleb's decease (Be65.).

Nathan Bentley, Sr., b 1.24.1777, d 7.31.1816, having served with the Americans for two years in the War of 1812 **(Be426.).** Nathan d 7.31.1816, at age 39 y., Van Buren, Onondaga Co., NY, where he had been a farmer and a carpenter. He was an American veteran of the War of 1812, having served two years at Sackets Harbor, according to his ggs Frank P. Bentley **(Be:FDDADACA.) (Be34.C.),** who wrote that Nathan's six CH (unc. seq.) were: **(A)** Russell, **(C)** William, **(E)** Nathan, **(F)** James, **(d)** Sarah Ann, and **(b)** Eliza Bentley. The names of the four sons were located first as "leads" on LDS-GSL "Archive Record" sheets for Nathan and his father Caleb Bentley (no mention of "Canada") (Be20.). Their DESC:

FDDADA. Russell D. Bentley, b 1802, RI (Be20.); b 6.11.1802, RI, d 1.27.1890, Van Buren, NY, m Julia Betts (Be34.C.). Russell was b 1802, d 1890, and Julia was b 1801, d 1878, according to a descendant of his brother Nathan, Jr. (Be426.). Titus reported (Be36.): "Capt., Hudson Riv. stmr." A woman named Hannah (----) Betts, ae. 78 (in 1850, b ca 1772), b NY, was living with them (presumed to be Russell's mother-in-law) (Be199.A.). Russell was b RI, lived in Onondaga Co., was 45 years old in 1855 (Be199.B.). His

[1]Camillus is a village in Onondaga Co., cen. NY, 9 mi. W of Syracuse (farming, dairying), which claims the title of "birthplace of the Republican party" (1852).

wife Julia was b ca 1802, "Rempellar" (sp?) (prob. Rensselaer Co.?), lived in Onondaga Co., ae. 33 in 1855 (Be199.B.). Russell and Julia were m in 1823 (Be176.). Russell was b ca 1802, RI, farmer; Julia, his wife, was b ca 1802, NY (Be199.A.).

A complete listing of Russell's children is unknown to this searcher. Their CH named in 1850 were: Lucinda, b ca 1831; Russel; "Emeryene" (Imogene), b ca 1837 (Be199.A.). In 1855, their CH were named as: Russell, ae. 20 y., b ca 1835; Elizabeth, ae. 18 y., b ca 1837 (Be199.B.). Their CH include: (A) Daniel M., (b) Lucinda A., (C) Russell, (d) Imogene, and (e) Elizabeth; DESC:

FDDADAA. Daniel M. Bentley

FDDADAb. Lucinda A. Bentley, b ca 1831, NY (Be199.A.), m William H. Dixon.

FDDADAC. Russell ("C."-?) Bentley, "age 16 (1850 CR) (Be199.A.), "age 20" y. (1855 CR) (Be199.B.), was b 7.26.1834, Van Buren. He m 1858, Fannie Byrnes, dtr of P. Byrnes. Russell "has filled various offices of trust in his town and is one of the leading men"(1896) (Be176.). Their son:

FDDADACA. Frank P. Bentley, on March 2, 1928, in reply to the Bostonian query (directory contact), wrote,

> I sent the blanks for information to different places, among others, to a 90-year old cousin in Denver, Colo. She gave me a 'tracing' of the Nichols family back to 1660; but little bearing on this case. . . **The three brothers of my grandfather went to Canada when young men and settled near Stouffville, somewhere around Toronto; never been there. Only know of one of their descendants living: Mrs. Tillie McAvey, #234 Millverton Blvd., Toronto, Can.**[1] **Her son, a Professor** in one of the schools there, could probably supply you with information in regard to that branch. . . **My grandfather used to talk of 'East Greenwich, R. I.,' so I assume that the family came from there**

(C 1928 MLH) (Be34.C.). The letterhead on his 1928 stationery read: "F. P. BENTLEY, PRACTICAL BLASTING, Du Pont Explosives and Blasting Accessories for Land Clearing, Drainage and Other Work, Box No. 111, Warner, NY."

FDDADAd. Imogene Bentley, b ca 1837, NY ("Emeryene") (Be199.A.). Could this be the same person as Russell's dtr "Elizabeth" **(Be:FDDADAe.)**?

FDDADAe. Elizabeth Bentley, b ca 1837, Onondaga Co., NY (Be199.B.).

FDDADb. Eliza Bentley, Nathan's dtr, lived in Baldwinsville, Onondaga Co., NY, m Norman Goit (Be34.C.—F.P.B., **Be:FDDADACA.)**. Eliza was b 1804, d 1892, m Norman Goit, b 1809, d 1898 (Be426.).

[1] Matilda Bentley (see **Be:FDDADEh.**).

FDDADC. William Bentley (Be19.), b 1808, d 1860 (Be426.); b 1804, Onondaga Co., NY (Be20.). William was. . .

> **born in New York State near Syracuse. William came to Canada in 1829 and located on the 6th Concession.** He opened the first store at what came to be known as Bentley's Corners in 1835. He died in 1860 . . . (Be17.).

In his **Will** written on Feb. 3, 1860, William Bentley named as three executors **Nathan Bentley, his brother; James Woodruff,** his friend; and **Thomas C. Hubbard,** his friend (Be191.).

> William Bentley bought one acre at the corner of Brock Road and the 6th concession from Thomas Hubbard in 1846. He bought another acre in 1857, then in **1874**[1] sold two acres to J. Venzant. William Bentley had four daughters,

added R.A. Miller of Brougham (1973) (Be18.). Names of his daughters were not given.

William "Bentley" of Pickering was m Sept. 10, 1836, Whitby, Ontario, to Elizabeth Woodruff of Pickering (by banns) by Robert Corson, Methodist-Episcopal Minister, witnessed by William F. Moore and Erastus Howard (Be10.E.). Their CH:

FDDADCa. Maria Bentley, William Bentley's "daughter Maria Sharrard born Bentley, the wife of James W. Sharrard, the younger" (Be191.). Maria, b 9.5.1837, d 3.16.1861 (Sharrard Family Group, Sh: D42.) (death card in possession of Marshall S. Sharrard, **Sh:ABDFG.**), m James W. Sharrard (**Sh:ACBA.**), son of Elijah and grandson of James W. Sharrard. Assuming these are their five CH, namely Hattie, Grace, Corrie, Kate, and a son who d inf; their DESC (in hypothetical sequence) (Sh: D37.):

FDDADCaa. Hattie E. Sharrard, m Frank Stevenson; 3 CH:

FDDADCaaA. James Stevenson, m.

FDDADCaaB. Charles Stevenson, m.

FDDADCaac. Edith Stevenson, single.

FDDADCab. Grace Sharrard, m (anon.) Kane.

FDDADCac. Corrie Sharrard, m (anon.) Bailey.

FDDADCad. Kate Sharrard, single.

FDDADCaE. (anon. son) Sharrard, d inf ae 3 mos, 1861.

FDDADCb. Louisa Bentley, William's "daughter" (Be191.); Louise Bentley of Brougham, age 21, b Pickering, "daughter of William and Elizabeth Bentley," m June 3, 1861, to John Vanzant of Brougham, age 22, b Pickering, son of John and Nancy Vanzant (Ontario Co., Prov. of Ontario, Canada) (Be196.C.).

[1] If William Bentley d in 1860, how is this reported land transaction of 1874 explained?

FDDADCc. Phoebe Bentley was named as William's "Daughter Phoebe Vanzant born Bentley, the wife of Michael Vanzant" (Be191.).

FDDADCd. (anon. William's dtr) Bentley (Be18.).

FDDADd. Sarah Ann (Sally Ann) Bentley was a dtr of Nathan, Sr. She was referred to as "Sarah Ann" who lived in Van Buren, Onondaga Co., NY, and who m Calvin Ford (Be34.C.—F.P.B., Be:FDDADACA.). She was also referred to as "Sally Ann," b 1809, d 1890, m Calvin Ford, b 1801, d 1891; res. in Markham and Pickering Twps, ON (Be426.).

FDDADE. Nathan Bentley (Be19.), Jr., b "1806," Onondaga Co., NY (Be20.); **b 4.8.1811**, d 8.7.1874, m Catherine Kester, William's dtr, b 7.6.1812, d 1.8.1907 (Be426.). According to the Census Reports, he was b ca 1812, U.S. He was of the E. Methodist religious faith while farming in Pickering (1861 CR, Be173.). He was also said to have been a farmer of English extraction adhering to the Universalist faith, b ca 1811, U.S. (Be174.). According to another source, he was ". . . **born in New York State near Syracuse** . . . came (to Pickering Twp., Ontario Co., Ontario, Canada) in 1831 and purchased the bush farm, Lot 32, Con. 9, where he resided continuously till his death in 1874" (Be17.).

F.P. Bentley (**Be:FDDADACA.**), Warners, NY (Be34.C.) stated in 1928 that **his grandfather Russell D. Bentley's three brothers** William, **Nathan**, and James went to Canada and lived near Stouffville (Be34.C.) (in York Co., adjoining Ontario Co., in Province of Ontario, Canada).

Nathan m Catherine, b ca 1812, Upper Canada (ON) (Be173.). Nathan m Catherine, b ca 1812, Upper Canada (ON) (Be173.). Nathan m Catherine, b ca 1812, Ontario, Universalist, German (Be174.). Nathan Bentley m "Kate Carter," correctly identified in 1979 as "Catherine Kester" by her descendant Ruth M. (Taylor) Turner (**Be:FDDADEide.**, Be426.). According to Ruth, Catherine's father William Kester, b 1790, went from Pennsylvania to Canada (1811-12). Although the name of William's wife is unknown, his four dtrs were: Catherine (b 1812), Nancy (b 1814), Rebecka (b 1816), and Betty (b 1818).

Nathan moved from the U.S. to Canada and settled in Pickering Twp where he died (Be198.). Nathan was named "brother" and one of three "executors" by William Bentley in his **Will** (Be191.). The youngest of Nathan's nine CH were named in the 1861 Census Report for Pickering, Ontario Co. (Be173.).

Nathan, Jr. and Catherine had these ten CH (Be426.): (A) Lewis (b 1835), (B) Calvin (b 1837), (C) George (b 1838), (D) Truman (b 1840), (E) Washington (b 1842), (f) Elizabeth (b 1844), (G) Norman (b 1847), (h) Matilda (b 1849), (i) Lucinda (b 1852), and (J) Elijah (b 1855). Their DESC:

FDDADEA. Lewis Bentley, b 9.14.1835, d 2.22.1920, m Sarah Ann Pearson (Be426.). According to the 1871 CR, Lewis was b ca 1836, ON; he was a

widower and a "Farmer and Manufacturer of Patent Medicine" in Pickering Twp (Be174.). He was named as an executor in the **Will** of his uncle James L. Bentley and was identified as "Nephew Lewis Bentley" (Be192.). Two CH named in 1871 were William H. Bentley and Emma Bentley (Be174.). One of his CH was identified as Herbert (Be426.). This searcher presumes that William H. was William **Herbert.** Lewis and Sarah Ann had these CH:

FDDADEAA. William **Herbert** Bentley (Be174. & Be426., composite), b ca 1865, res. in Pickering Twp (Be174.). "Herbert Bentley, son of Lewis Bentley, owned a large plot of land where the main section of Vancouver now stands" (Be426.).

FDDADEAb. Emma Bentley, b ca 1867, res. in Pickering Twp (Be174.).

FDDADEB. Calvin Bentley, b ca 1837, Pickering Twp (Be173.). Calvin was b 3.28.1837, d 10.22.1913, Mexico. He had taught Spanish and English in Oxako, TX. Whether he married or not is unknown (Be426.).

FDDADEC. George Bentley, b 11.20.1838, d 11.20.1902, FL (Be426.). According to the CR's, George was b either ca 1838, Pickering Twp (Be173.), or ca 1839 (Be174.).

FDDADED. Truman Bentley, b 12.9.1840, d 3.12.1936, m 9.7.1847, Mary Wagg (Be426.). Truman Bentley (Be36.) was b ca 1840, Pickering Twp, son of Nathan and "Kate (Carter) Bentley," m Mary Wagg, Presbyterian, b Uxbridge Twp, Ontario Co. Mary was the dtr of John Wagg, b 1822, Norfolk, England, d 1885, Uxbridge (son of William Wagg and Violet Harmon, both of whom d in Uxbridge), and Ann Jones, b St. Catharines, Baptists; res (1906): 193 First Ave., Toronto (Be198.). Their five CH were believed to have been: (a) Violet, (b) Iva Alma, (c) Minerva, (D) John L., and (e) Pansy Bentley. Their known DESC (hypo. seq.):

FDDADEDa. Violet Bentley (Be426.), m Stephen Griffiths (Be198.). Their CH:

FDDADEDaa. Norma Griffiths (Be198.).

FDDADEDb. Iva Alma Bentley (Be426.), Iva, m Robert Thirsk (Be198.). Their two dtrs (Be198.):

FDDADEDba. Viola Thirsk.

FDDADEDbb. Daisy Thirsk.

FDDADEDc. Minerva Bentley (Be426.) is believed to have been the anonymous dtr said to have been living at home with her parents in 1906. The source of evidence for Truman's identity with his parents and his offspring (dtrs Violet, Iva, and the anon. one; g-dtrs Norma, Viola, and Daisy) was located in the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library, Boston, in 7.1977 (Be198.).

FDDADEDD. John L. Bentley (Be426.).

FDDADEDe. Pansy Bentley (Be426.).

FDDADEE. Washington Bentley, b 12.4.1842, d 8.13.1872, U.S.A. (Be426.); Washington, Nathan's son, b ca 1842, Pickering Twp (Be173.).

FDDADEf. Elizabeth ("Libby") Bentley, b 10.15.1844, d 6.12.1921 (Be426.); Elizabeth, Nathan's dtr, b ca 1844, Pickering Twp (Be173.), Elizabeth, b ca 1846 (Be174.).

FDDADEG. Norman Bentley, b 1.13.1847, d 3.24.1924 lived in Thomaston, Upson Co., GA (Be426.); Norman, Nathan's son, b ca 1847, Pickering Twp (Be173., Be174.).

FDDADEh. Matilda Bentley, b 5.29.1849, d 11.8.1928, m Charles C. McAvay, b 1.30.1848 (Be426.). Matilda ("Tillie") Bentley, Nathan's dtr, b ca 1849, Pickering Twp (Be173.); or b ca 1850 (Be174.), is believed to have been "Tillie Bentley McAvey," who was living in Toronto, ON, 1928. She was believed to have had a son who was Professor McAvey in Toronto in 1928 and earlier, according to the informant F. P. Bentley (**Be:FDDADACA.**) (Be34.C.), **who knew her as being one of the descendants of his grandfather's three brothers who went to Canada.** Verification was made by R.M. (Taylor) Turner in her letters of 1979 quoting her deceased mother's sources.

Son of Matilda and Charles:

FDDADEhA. Otto Harold McAvay, b 11.11.1891, d 11.27.1977, Toronto, ON.

> He was an art teacher at Danforth Technical School, Toronto, for his entire teaching career until his retirement. He was a talented musician and very renowned as a painter and artist. He left many paintings to friends.

This information was supplied by Ruth (Taylor) Turner (**Be:FDDADEide.**) (Be426.). this was Tillie's anon. son, a professor in Toronto in 1928, as mentioned then by his second cousin F.P. Bentley (**Be:FDDADACA.**) (Be34.C.).

FDDADEi. Lucinda Bentley, b ca 1851, Pickering Twp (Be173.); b ca 1852 (Be174.). Lucinda Bentley, b 3.28.1852, d 3.27.1939, m 9.16.1875, Robert John Daley, b 6.28.1857, d 10.26.1936. Their granddaughter Ruth related,

> R. J. Daley was immigration officer for Alberta at the time the prairies were opened to settlers. His first office was in Winnipeg, Manitoba. When Alberta became a province, he moved his staff to Edmonton. He also owned two large ranches in Alberta, but sold them in the 1930's and '40's. Some members of the Daley family still ranch on Daley land near Camrose, Alberta, where the homestead was located (1979).

R. J. and Lucinda had six CH: (A) Lewis Russell Daley, (b) Celia May Daley, (c) Florence Gertrude Daley, (d) Millie Merle Daley, (e) Ina Rose Daley, and (f) Laura Irene Daley; their DESC:

FDDADEiA. Lewis Russell Daley, b 6.17.1876, d 8.27.1967, m 8.17.1898, Susie Medley, b 1.8.1876, d 9.14.1952; four CH:

FDDADEiAa. Beatrice Daley.

FDDADEiAB. Ross Daley.

FDDADEiAC. Edward (Ted) Daley.

FDDADEiAD. Charles Daley

FDDADEib. Celia May Daley, b 10.25.1879, d 12.3.1972, m **first** 1898, Arthur Martin, b 1875, d 1902; CH:

FDDADEibA. Jack Paul Martin, b 12.27.1899, d 2.20.1973, unm.

Celia May Daley (**Be:FDDADEib.**) m **secondly** 9.16.1916, Duncan Montgomery, d 12.1916.

FDDADEic. Florence Gertrude Daley, b 3.31.1882, d 12.24.1925, m 1.1.1906, Walter T. Arms; son:

FDDADEicA. Herbert T. Arms, b 5.24.1912, m 11.6.1942, Dorothy H. Beavis, b 8.7.1917; two CH: (a) Dale and (b) Arlene; DESC:

FDDADEicAa. Dale Dorell Arms, b 10.25.1944, m John Malpass; one CH:

FDDADEicAaa. Johnna Lee Malpass, b 9.28.1971.

FDDADEicAb. Arlene Donna Arms, b 9.2.1946, unm. (1979).

FDDADEid. Millie Merle Daley, b 11.28.1885, d of cancer on 10.17.1978, Lakefield, ON; m William C. Taylor, b 4.10.1880, d 3.10.1941, Toronto, ON. Their five CH: (a) Phyllis Irene, (b) Helen May, (C) William Harold, (D) Kenneth Frederick, and (e) Ruth Millicent Taylor. Their DESC:

FDDADEida. Phyllis Irene Taylor, b 10.25.1907, d inf. 11.1.1907.

FDDADEidb. Helen May Taylor, b 12.15.1908, m 10.8.1931, Toronto, ON, Eric Shulver, b 1.10.1903; one CH:

FDDADEidba. Carole Helen Shulver, b 3.4.1942, Toronto, ON; unm. (1979), Nurse; res (1979): Inuvik, Northwest Territories, Canada.

FDDADEidC. William Harold Taylor, b 5.17.1910, m 6.12.1938, Toronto, ON, either Mildred or Elizabeth Nicholson, Registered Nurse, b 7.27.1909; one CH:

FDDADEidCa. Elizabeth Taylor, b 4.24.1942, m 9.24.1962, Oakville, ON, Robert Paul; two CH and one adopted son:

FDDADEidCaA. Robert William Paul, b 9.24.1963.

FDDADEidCab. Deborah Elizabeth Paul, b 11.2.1964.

1. Michael Paul, adopted son, b 7.20.1970.

FDDADEidD. Kenneth Frederick Taylor, b 4.20.1914, m 12.14.1940, Toronto, ON, Ruth C. Ralston, b 4.9.1915; one CH:

FDDADEidDA. Kenneth William Taylor, b 2.6.1948, unm. (1979). He is a graduate of Trent University, Peterborough, with a degree in biology.

FDDADEide. Ruth Millicant Taylor, **corresponding cousin** (Be426.), b 1.11.1920, m 6.21.1941, Toronto, ON, Clifford H. Turner, b 11.9.1919. Correspondence with this searcher began soon after this searcher's query was called to her attention. The query was regarding SAMUEL BENTL(E)Y (**BE:FDDD., Anc. VII.25.**) and his descendants; it was published in an issue of **Families**, a quarterly publication of the Ontario Genealogical Society, Toronto, ON (M4T-2L7). Investigation resulted in her identification and classification as a descendant of SAMUEL'S brother Caleb.

Ruth's mailing address is (1979): P.O. Box 21, Lakefield, Ontario, Canada KOL-2HO. Ruth wrote,

> Lakefield is located in the Kawartha Lake district of Ontario, 11 miles northeast of Peterborough and 110 miles northeast of Toronto. To the north of Lakefield, the country is described as very rocky, as wilderness and cottage-resort land. To the south lie the cultivated fields of farm land. In Lakefield, one enjoys the best of both worlds.

Clifford and Ruth have two CH: (a) Lynne Ruth and (b) Barbara Dawn Turner. Their DESC:

FDDADEidea. Lynne Ruth Turner, b 3.11.1944, m 5.14.1966, Scarborough, ON, William C. Brien, m 4.24.1945; res (1979): R.R. 4, Lakefield, ON (KOL-2HO); CH:

FDDADEideaa. Cheryl Lynne Brien, b 10.13.1975, Peterborough, ON.

FDDADEideb. Barbara Dawn Turner, b 3.25.1948, m 10.25.1967, Scarborough, ON, Graham Brent Traynor of Peterborough, ON, b 9.26.1949; res (1979): R.R. 2, Warsaw, ON; two CH:

FDDADEideba. Deborah Lynne Traynor, b 12.25.1969, Peterborough, ON.

FDDADEidebB. Jeffrey James Traynor, b 2.11.1972, Peterborough, ON.

FDDADEie. Ina Rose Daley, b 8.26.1892, m 8.25.1919, Roy Kottmeier, b 9.2.1890, d 12.7.1950; Ina's res (1979): 10414 - 98th Ave., Edmonton, Alberta (T5K-OC4). Their two CH:

FDDADEieA. Stuart R. Kottmeier, b 9.12.1920, d ----, m Bernice Kitchener.

FDDADEieB. Allen Kottmeier, b ----, m Rose ----.

FDDADEif. Laura Irene Daley, b 8.3.1895, m Olaf Olstad. They homesteaded in the Peace River Country in 1920, before the railway went there. Their res. was Edmonton, AB. One of their three CH is (1979) a high school principal in Edmonton (Be426.). Their CH:

FDDADEifa. Lorrainne Olstad.

FDDADEifb. Marion Olstad.

FDDADEifc. Jeanne Olstad.

FDDADEJ. Elijah Bentley, b 3.6.1855, d inf, 3.10.1855 (Be426.).

FDDADF. James L. Bentley (Be19., Be.17., Be.18.), b 1808, Onondaga Co., NY (Be20.); b 3.17.1813 (calc.), d 3.30.1867, ae. 54 y, 13 d, Uxbridge, Ontario (information from "death card" in possession of Marshall S. Sharrard, **Sh:ABDFG.**) (Sh:D42.). James was b 1813, d 3.30.1867, m Clarinda Crawford (Be426.). James m Clarinda Crawford; m Clarinda, b ca 1817, UC, of Universalist religious belief (Be173., Be174.); "Wife Clarinda Bentley, born Crawford," Executrix (Be192.). His **Will** was proved 6.30.1868, Ontario Co., ON (314:505).

According to his **Will** (a copy of which this searcher saw on a microfilm, GSL, SLC, UT, 8.1977), his occupation was "Druggist." **His nephew Lewis Bentley,** "druggist," was named as an executor.

According to C.B. Sheppard (**Be:FDDADFBAB.**), a ggs of James, his wife's maiden name was "Crawford." Granddaughter Nina wrote, "Clarissa (Crawford) Bentley mother of Lafayette died in California" (Be197.). His dtr Eliza Bentley is his only child named in his **Will**, but he mentioned "my Children" (Be192.). Their CH: (a) Martha, (B) Lafayette, (C) Monroe, (D) Francis, and (e) Eliza Bentley; DESC:

FDDADFa. Martha Bentley, b Upper Canada (now Ontario), ca 1847 (1861 CR, Pickering Twp, Ontario Co., Ontario, Canada). "Martha B. Bently" of Brougham, age 19, b Pickering, "daughter of **Jas.** and **Manda**" (sp?) **Bentley**, m 9.27.1866, James C. Smith of Pickering, age 22 (birth place not given), son of "Wm and Elizabeth Smith;" witnesses Margaret Smith and Lafayette Bently (**sic**), both of Brougham; Minister, John W. Nobles. Apparently "Manda" was meant to be "Clarinda," wife of James L. Bentley (Be196.F.).

FDDADFB. Lafayette Bentley (Be19., Be18., Be197., Be36.), physician (Be190.), b ca 1849 (1861 CR) (Be173.); "Commercial Traveller," 1871 (Be174.).

> Lafayette Bentley was born October 1849, in Brougham. Died 14 August 1928, buried in Christian Cemetary at Brougham, Ontario, wrote his dtr Nina (Bentley) Sheppard. Nina added, "Helena (Smith) Bentley. Born in Pickering March 12. Died May 20. Buried in Streiksville (Strubsville-?) Cemetary—Ontario" (Be197.).

Helena Smith, Lafayette's wife, was last-born of eleven children (including two sets of twins who d inf) of James and Elizabeth (----) Smith. James Smith, an Englishman with a very strong physique, owned two farms north of Lake Ontario (in what is now known as the Highway).

Nina related,

> The grain was taken at selling time by a team of horses to Whitby—at that time it was a long journey and dangerous. There was a 'gib hill' (jib-?) between Oshawa and Whitby. The grain was shipped by boat across the Lake to Chalotte in the United States

(Chaumont, NY-?). During the shipping of grain the team of horses Grandfather (Smith) was driving were frightened and the team ran away leaving Grandfather with the wagon. He was very badly hurt going down the hill and was never the same after the accident but he lived to be ninety-one years old.

His wife, Helena's mother Elizabeth, lived to be eighty-one (bur Oshawa Cem) (Be197.).

Lafayette Bentley practiced medicine and ran the drug store in the village of Brougham, Ontario Co. The only child of Lafayette and Helena was Nina.

FDDADFBa. Nina Llewella Bentley; Nina Bentley (Be19., Be17., Be18.); "Nina Llewella Sheppard," Lafayette Bentley's "Daughter" (Be190.); b 6.22.1884, in Michipicoten Island (Be197.), an island in NE Lake Superior off SW coast of Algoma Co., in southern Ontario, Canada. Nina m Laudlow William Sheppard, b Toronto, d 1967, bur St. James Cemetery, Toronto, before the Sheppards went to live in Brougham. Laudlow was the son of Joseph Sheppard, b Tipperary, Ireland, d 3.25.1914, bur (with wife) in St. James Cem., Toronto, and wife Eliza Bethel, b Lippu (sp?), Ireland, d 10.1939 (Be197.).

In 1977, Nina (Bentley) Sheppard celebrated her 93rd birthday "in a wheel chair from a broken hip," but, according to her son Caldwell, "is doing fine." She has been living with her son and his wife in Scarborough, Ontario. Nina and Laudlow had two CH:

FDDADFBaa. Muriel Sheppard, deceased (Be18.).

FDDADFBaB. Caldwell Bethel Sheppard (Be18., Be197.), BCRN: 17-05-039626(ON) (M009152) (Be175.A.), explained that his middle name was his grandmother Sheppard's maiden name and that his first name Caldwell was the Doctor's name (!) when he was born in Brougham house, the English Colonial home of Lafayette Bentley and his daughter Nina Llewella (Bentley) Sheppard. Caldwell, **corresponding cousin** (7.11.1977, 9.30.1977) (the latter letter included his mother Nina's message), wrote that he was m to Alida Van Dijk (Be197.).

Caldwell explained,

> Alida van Dyk and I met in Amsterdam, Holland, shortly after it was liberated in the summer of 1945, by the Canadian Army in which I served from 9 June 1942 until 22 March 1946. Alida was born 7 Nov. 1921, was employed in a library when we met. We were married in Brougham, Ontario, 1 March 1947. Alida's father's name was Jan. Dirk van Dyk, deceased. Alida's mother's name was Tryntje Kool, deceased. Alida's brother's name is Dirk Van Dyk. Alida and I were in Holland last summer to visit her family and friends (1977).

Caldwell has been employed by Lever Brothers Limited since 6.6.1947, as a Security Officer in 1977. Caldwell and Alida have three CH (Be18., Be197.): (A) Brian, (B) Glenn, and (C) Gregory; DESC:

Nina (Bentley) Sheppard, **Be:FDDADDBa.,** of Scarborough, Ontario, Canada, and her grandson Brian Bentley Sheppard, **Be:FDDADDBaBA.,** of Vancouver, BC, 1977.

FDDADFBaBA. Brian Bentley Sheppard, b 8.30.1949, Oshawa, Ontario Co., Ontario. Brian is a graduate of the Ontario College of Art and an illustrator and designer in Vancouver BC (1977). Brian was m 1.31.1976, Toronto, ON, to Christine Gunn, registered nurse, b 3.15.1949, Lennoxtown, Stirlingshire, Scotland (Be197.).

FDDADFBaBB. Glenn Dirk Sheppard, BCRN:51-05-031497 (ON) (Be175.B.), b 3.25.1951, Oshawa, Ontario Co., Ontario, Canada. He has been employed as Department Head, Hudson Bay Company (1977). Glenn m **first** Vanessa Turner, one CH:

FDDADFBaBBA. Malcolm Dirk Sheppard, b 12.18.1972, Toronto, ON.

Glenn m **secondly** Jacqueline Jacques, a nurse, b 5.5.1956, Sarnia, Lambton Co., Ontario. Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Sheppard reside (1977) at 484 Church Street, Apt. 316, Toronto (M4Y-2C7).

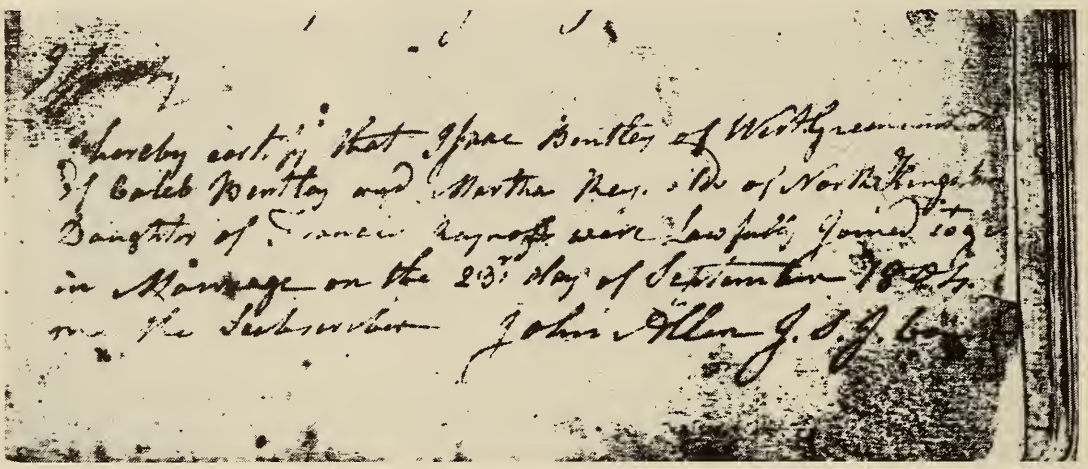
FDDADFBaBC. Gregory Wayne Sheppard, BCRN:61-05-097804(ON) (Be175.C.), b 8.6.1961, Scarborough, York Co., ON, student attending Winston Churchill Collegiate Institute (1977) planning to be a policeman.

FDDADFC. Monroe Bentley (Be36.), son of James, b ca 1851 (1861 CR) (Be173.).

FDDADFD. Francis Bentley (Be36.), son of James, b ca 1853 (1861 CR) (Be173.); b ca 1854 (Be174.).

FDDADFe. Eliza Bentley, dtr of James, b ca 1855 (1861 CR) (Be173.); b ca 1856 (Be174.).

FDDAE. Isaac R. Bentley (Be33., Be34.B.3.), "4th son of Caleb Bentley and wife Leah" (Be69.); Caleb's son, b 2.28.1779, West Greenwich, Kent Co., RI (Be32E.); d 4.11.1854, Van Buren, Onondaga Co., NY (Be33.A.). "Isaac Bentley, (son) of Caleb, of West Greenwich, and Martha Reynolds, (dtr) of Francis, of North Kingstown; m by John Allen, Justice, Court of Common Pleas, Sept. 23, 1804" (West Greenwich Marriages, 2:160) (Be32.D.).



The Marriage Record of Isaac Bentley, **Be:FDDAE.,** and Martha Reynolds. Doc: West Greenwich (RI), Marriages . . . Book 2, page 160.

"Isaac Bentley" of "the Town of Carmilous in the County of Anedaga in the State of New York" was named in an indenture or agreement for the lease and settlement of Bentley property in Rhode Island, located partly in West Greenwich in the County of Kent and partly in Exeter in the County of Washington. The agreement was made between Isaac's brother William, then of Coventry, Kent Co., RI, and their parents Caleb and Leah. One of the provisions of the document, dated March 7, 1814, obligates William to pay "Isaac" $100 within one year after their father Caleb's decease (Be65.).

In his letter of August 30, 1949, written to J. C. Bentley **(Be:FDDACEHCC.),** 9 Brooks Ave., Newport, RI (formerly of Lapeer, MI; Napa, CA; and of Gulf Breeze, FL, in 1978), C. Eugene Bentley **(Be:FDDAEII.)**, 541 Rutherford Ave., Redwood City, CA, typed these first three paragraphs:

> Saturday I recd your Father's **(Be:FDDACEHC.)** letter from Lapeer with yours enclosed and was very, very glad to get them. I have been trying to get the Data on William Gardiner Bentley **(Be:FDDACE.)** for quite a long time.

His Father was my Great Uncle and a Brother of my own Grand Father Isaac Bentley **(Be:FDDAE.)** born West Greenwich R I in 1779 married Martha Tibbetts Reynolds Sept 23 1804 & soon after marriage they settled in Onondaga County N Y, Pompey N Y after two years they went to Van Buren Ctr (same County) and just west of Syracuse few miles where he purchased a farm and his older Bro Nathan **(Be:FDDAD.)** the Farm adjoining, where they both lived until death took them. My Father Colonel Reynolds Bentley **(Be:FDDAEI.)** was their youngest son and he came to Monroe Co Mich in 1854 and died there. I am his youngest.

I have been about two or three years in locating where William (5) Bentley **Be:FDDAC.)**[1] and Hannah Gardiner spent their lives and just obtained the Data last year. I have most of Randall Spencer's **(Be:FDDACF.)** Data which I recd from Miss Evalyn Bentley **(Be:FDDACFGb.)** Tucson Arizona where she lives with her Mother who celebrated her 100th Birthday Nov 1 1948. Now I will tell you just what I am short in DATA. . .

The nine CH of Isaac **(Be:FDDAE.)** were (Be33.): (**a**) Anna, (**b**) Sally, (**C**) Alfred, (**d**) Martha, (**e**) Elizabeth, (**F**) Francis, (**G**) Isaac, (**h**) Betsey, and (**I**) Colonel Reynolds Bentley; selected DESC:

FDDAEa. Anna Bentley, b 12.1.1805, Van Buren, Onondaga Co., NY; d 3.16.a873; m Reuben Warner.

FDDAEb. Sally Maria Bentley, b 11.12.1807, Van Buren, Onondaga Co., NY; d 1863; m Joseph Marius.

FDDAEC. Alfred Bentley, b 2.16.1809, Van Buren, Onondaga Co., NY; d ----; m 2.20.1833, Sarah Chase; their son:

FDDAECA. Howard Bentley.

FDDAEd. Martha Tibbetts Bentley, b 3.12.1812, Van Buren, Onondaga Co., NY; d 2.2.1890; m 11.20.1834, Daniel Eber Rockwell.

FDDAEe. Elizabeth Bentley, b 7.20.1814, Van Buren, Onondaga Co., NY; d 10.13.1814; single.

FDDAEF. Francis Reynolds Bentley (Dr.), b 4.20.1816, Van Buren, Onondaga Co., NY; d 1900 (Be36.); m **first** Sophie Ball (Be33., Be36.) and **secondly** Amelia Brown (Be33.); his CH (identity of the mother of each?) (Be36.):

FDDAEF?. (anon.) Bentley

FDDAEFb. Sophia Bentley

FDDAEFC. Frank Bentley

FDDAEFD. Victor Bentley, res (ca 1907): Chicago, IL.

[1]Classification as indicated within parentheses has been added by this searcher who received a xerox copy of this letter from James C. Bentley in September of 1978.

FDDAEG. Isaac Bentley, Jr., b 6.29.1818, Van Buren, Onondaga Co., NY, d 1.12.1877, m 4.23.1839, Harriet Weaver (Be33.); m Harriet Weaver, dtr of Abel and Lucy (Miner) Weaver, b 1818, d 1897 (Be36.); farmer, res was Warners, NY; their 6 CH (Be36.): (**A**) Charles E., (**B**) Clarence R., (**c**) Lucy A., (**d**) Sarah C., (**5**) (anon.) Bentley, and (**F**) Laurence Bentley.

In 1861, in his correspondence with Rev. E. W. Bentley, Isaac wrote that his grandfather's brother SAMUEL BENTLEY **(Be:FDDD.)** (this searcher's ancestor VII.25.) "went to Canada" (Be34B.3.). Titus names these DESC of Isaac (Be36.):

FDDAEGA. Charles Eugene Bentley, b 4.30.1841, Warners, NY, d 2.4.1905, Los Angeles, CA, Baptist Minister, Lincoln, NE; m 10.7.1863, Persis Orilla Freeman, b 1839, dtr of Rufus Branch Freeman and wife Naoma Louisa Talmage (Be36.). "Rev. Charles E. Bentley, Baptist minister of Lincoln, Neb., and chairman of the Nebraska State Prohibition Committee, is a descendant of Benjamin" . . . son of "Thomas Bentley," according to an 1897 publication entitled **Landmarks of Albany Co., NY** by A. M. Parker. This searcher isn't quoting any of the other statements because of the existence of errors in the undocumented account for cousin W. Bentley (p. 123-).

For years Mrs. Karen (Berns) Wheaton's grandmother kept this newspaper article dated only Feb. 6 (no year) (Mon.) (1905). Los Angeles (but not a Los Angeles newspaper) reported the death of her mother's first-cousin **Rev. Charles E. Bentley**, a Baptist minister of **Lincoln, NE**, a native of NY, in Los Angeles, CA, with his wife on a visit. His death **at age 65 years** was due to heart disease, an autopsy revealed. The article:

> Rev. Bentley's Tragic Death — 'Prohib' Leader, accompanied by strange woman, expired in lodging house. Was in Los Angeles With His Wife on a Visit—Candidate for President in 1896. Los Angeles, Feb. 6—Rev. C. E. Bentley, of Lincoln, Neb., candidate of the liberty party for president of the United States in 1896, died here Saturday night under mysterious circumstances and the police are investigating.
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> Rev. Bentley, according to a story told by Mrs. Douglass, proprietress of a lodging house where he died, applied for a room about 8 o'clock Saturday night. He was accompanied by a stylishly dressed woman who wore a thick veil. Mrs. Douglass showed them to a room and while she was turning on the light Bentley dropped to the floor unconscious. The woman who accompanied him to the house left suddenly. Mrs. Douglass then went to seek assistance, but, re turning a few minutes later, found a young man named Haines, a lodger, holding Bentley's head. He left, saying he was going for a doctor, but has not been seen since. Mrs. Douglass finally summoned the police, but Bentley was dead when she returned.
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> The body was removed to the morgue and was not identified until Sunday. When search of his clothing was made it was found that his

gold watch was missing and that his pockets contained only $1.50. An autopsy revealed that death was due to heart disease. The police are searching for the mysterious veiled woman who accompanied him.

Rev. Bentley, who was 65 years old, arrived in Los Angeles, with his wife last Friday and took apartments at 300 Olive street.

Rev. Charles E. Bentley of Lincoln, Neb., was the idol of the "broad gauge" wing of the prohibition party. He was conceded to be far and away the strongest candidate for the **presidential nomination** in that faction of the party, previous to his nomination in 1896, and was considered an ideal candidate, too, for his life was given up to the cause. Bentley's earlier political faith was republicanism. He left that party and came out flatly for prohibition on a working political basis. He was twice nominated for the legislature, once for governor, once for congress, and once for the United States senate. Had his party been other than the minority it is, Bentley might easily have won, for he was one of the most popular men in his state, personally. In all of his races he ran ahead of his ticket, and in 1892, when he tried for governor, he led the presidential ticket 1,333 votes. He has ever been a warm temperance advocate. In 1886 he was ordained a minister of the baptist denomination and since that time has filled the positions of his calling in two churches. He was the leader of his party in Nebraska, and after St. John's refusal to run became the one man whom western prohibitionists gave their consent to work for. Bentley was a native of New York.

On Sat., 11.4.1978, this searcher detoured from his route (to see the UCLA-Oregon U. football game in the Los Angeles Coliseum) to visit the Los Angeles Public Library. The main purpose of the visit was to see what the **Los Angeles Times** newspaper contained regarding the death of Rev. Charles Eugene Bentley **(Be:FDDAEGA.)** in 1905. The microfilm for February of 1905 contained the following three relevant articles dated February 5, 6, and 7.

(1) **Los Angeles Sunday Times**, 2.5.1905:

Veiled Lady, Where is She? Startling Death of Stranger in Lodging-house. His Woman Companion Hurried from the Scene. And Now the Detectives are Trying to Find Her.

A well-dressed prosperous looking man, apparently 55 years old, dropped dead in a lodging-house at No. 125 South Los Angeles street at 9:30 o'clock last night, under circumstances that are somewhat suspicious.

The man is supposed to be C. E. Bentley of Lincoln, Neb. He entered the house accompanied by a woman in black who was heavily veiled. He asked the landlady, Mrs. Douglas, to show him a room for himself and wife. Leading the way to a room on the second floor the landlady was in the act of lighting a lamp to show the apartment to her new guests when the man suddenly toppled over on the floor.

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At first Mrs. Douglas thought her visitor drunk, but the screams of the woman in black who loudly wailed, "He's dying, I know he is!" aroused the landlady to action. She hurried from the room to procure water and returning a moment later, she found the man gasping his last. The woman had gone.

Mystery surrounds the case. Coroner Trout was notified of the sudden death and the body was ordered removed to Bresee Bros.' morgue. The dead man's clothing was searched, but the only thing bearing upon his identity was a receipt from the Pacific Electric Railway Company for two combination tickets to **the ostrich farm**, which had been apparently turned back to the railway company.

The man was evidently out of his sphere in the cheap lodging-house. His clothes were stylishly cut and his appearance generally stamped him as a person in the upper walks of life. A watch chain, a silver dollar and a nickel, several Angels' Flight tickets and some Pullman-car slips together with an expense account, were among his effects. The hat was purchased in Lincoln, Neb., as indicated by a tradesman's name.

A search for the mysterious woman in black was made by detectives last night, but all trace of her was lost at the entrance to the lodging-house, where several loungers saw her hurry away in the direction of First street.

The Coroner is of the opinion that the man died of heart disease, but the strange circumstances attending the death will be fully investigated in an inquest Monday. The police are still searching for the mysterious woman.

(2) **Los Angeles Daily times**, Monday, 2.6.1905:

Not a Victim of foul Play. Heart Disease Caused Rev. C. E. Bentley's Death. Mystery Still Surrounds Purpose of His Visit to Cheap Lodging-house With Veiled Woman in Black. Friends Think She Was Playing Part of Good Samaritan.

An autopsy made yesterday on the body of Rev. C. E. Bentley, who fell dead in a lodging-house on South Los Angeles street at 9:30 o'clock Saturday night, proved that death was caused by heart disease.

While the identity of the mysterious woman in black who was heavily veiled and who accompanied Bentley to the room is still unknown, it is not thought that she can be in any way implicated either in the death of the minister or in the disappearance of his gold watch. However, detectives are still seeking her, and are looking for a man by the name of Haines, who raised Bentley from the floor and supported his back against his knees while the landlady, Mrs. J.A. Douglas, went for restoratives. It is thought that Haines took the watch, as he left the room hurriedly shortly afterward and has not been seen since.

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Rev. C.E. Bentley and his wife arrived in Los Angeles Friday, and went at once to the Crocker Mansion at the head of Angels' Flight, where rooms had been engaged for them by W. G. Earing of No. 1324 Kellam street, who knew Bentley for more than thirty years. When the minister left his wife at 8 o'clock Saturday evening, he said he was going for a short walk, as he did not feel very well.

'I will leave my money here, in case anything should happen to me,' he said.

Just a week before he had been taken with a severe pain in the breast in Napa and a doctor of that city had led him to believe that he had been poisoned by something that he had eaten. Later, however, he realized that something was wrong with his heart action, and he wrote to his son, who is a professor of Clark University in Worcester, Neb.:[1] I fear your mother will come home without me.

Rev. Mr. Bentley was a great lover of revival meetings of any kind, and never lost an opportunity to join in the efforts of the Salvation Army to convert people at a street corner. Mrs. Bentley and W.G. Earing are of the opinion that Mr. Bentley went down to First and Los Angeles streets to see the work of the Salvation Army, and that as he was standing there he was taken suddenly with heart disease, and called upon the nearest bystander to assist him to a room, where he might regain strength to return home. When the old gentleman fell across the table and rolled to the floor, the woman who had assisted him upstairs evidently became badly frightened and hurried from the scene.

'If that veiled woman would only come forward and explain how she happened to be there,' sighed Mrs. Bentley last night, as she wiped the tears from her eyes. She is staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earing and is bearing up bravely under her loss.

Bentley was born in New York State and was 64 years old. For twenty-five years he was the pastor of the Bethesda Church in Surprise, a little town forty miles from Lincoln, Neb. He leaves three sons and three daughters living in the East.

(3) **Los Angeles Daily Times**, Tuesday, 2.7.1905:

Heart Disease Caused Death. Inquest Over Remains of Rev. C. E. Bentley. Body of Minister Who Died Suddenly in Los Angeles Street Lodging-house, Shipped Back to Nebraska—No Trace of Haines or of Mysterious Veiled Woman.

Heart disease caused the death of Rev. Charles E. Bentley of Lincoln, Neb., who died suddenly in a cheap lodging-house at No. 125 South Los Angeles street Saturday night. At the inquest held at Bresee Bros. morgue yesterday morning the testimony went to prove that death resulted from a rupture of the left ventricle of the heart and that death claimed him a few moments after he fell on the table

[1] Worcester, MA—**not** NE (Neb.).

in the room which the landlady was showing at his request. The jury returned a verdict in accordance with the facts.

Dr. G. W. Campbell the autopsy surgeon testified that the ventricle had been ruptured and that a slight leakage into the pericardium had taken place before the serious break occurred. The surgeon thought the man had been suffering before he asked for a room in the lodging-house.

Mrs. Mary Douglas, the landlady, testified to the facts told to the police Saturday night when Bentley was stricken. Bentley ascended the steps accompanied by a veiled woman in black, according to Mrs. Douglas's testimony, and asked for a room. She placed the register under her arm and led the way to a room followed by her two guests whom she supposed were out of town people. Immediately after entering the room, Bentley toppled over, striking the table and falling to the floor. The veiled woman screamed and said, 'I know he's dying.' A man named Haines, who lodged in the house occasionally was called in from the hallway and together the veiled woman and Haines tried to resuscitate the minister while the landlady went for water and a towel. When she returned the veiled woman had gone after remarking to Haines that she had trouble enough of her own and didn't care to be mixed up in the affair. A few minutes later Haines disappeared. He has not since been seen or heard from.

Police detectives have searched high and low for the veiled woman and Haines, but all trace of them was lost when they left the building. The woman is not suspected of having robbed the minister of his watch but Haines is supposed to know something about the missing timepiece.

The remains of the dead divine were shipped to Lincoln, Neb., last night for interment. Mrs. Bentley, who accompanied her husband to Los Angeles only last Friday, returned with the dead body.

According to **Who Was Who in America** (Vol. 1, 1897-1942; p 86), **Charles Eugene Bentley**, "Presidential candidate "Liberty" party, 1896; b Warners, NY, April 30, 1841; ed. Monroe Inst. and Oneida Conf. Sem., NY; m Persis Freeman, Oct. 7, 1863. Lived on farm in NY until 1863; removed, 1866, to Clinton, IA; 1878--in NE; lived on his farm, Butler Co., 1878-90; also Bapt. minister; 1880--, pastor ch. at Surprise, NE; chmn. Prohibition State Conv., 1884; successively candidate for Congress, gov., and U.S. senator; when split came 1896 became Presidential candidate Liberty party; chmn. of its State Com. for Neb. Home: Lincoln, NE. Died 1905.

From another source we note that Charles Eugene Bentley was the presidential candidate for the National Party in the Election of 1896, gathering 13,969 votes. William McKinley was elected the 25th President of the United States.

Charles Eugene Bentley and Persis had these 6 CH (Be36.): (**A**) Rufus C., (**B**) Isaac M., (**c**) Lucille A., (**d**) Edith N., (**e**) Laura B., and (**F**) Carlton E. Bentley; their DESC (**Be36.**):

FDDAEGAA. Rufus Clarence Bentley, Dean of Law College, Worcester, MA; b 1868; res (ca 1907): Worcester, MA; m 1895 Lydia Ellen Hart, dtr of Charles, b 1868; their CH (may have been more):

FDDAEGAAa. Elizabeth Noel Bentley, b 1901.

FDDAEGAAb. Charis Eugenia Bentley, b 1903.

FDDAEGAAc. Lucie Freeman Bentley, b 1905.

FDDAEGAB. Isaac Madison Bentley, Professor at Cornell University, b 1870, m 1897, Emma Virginia Snelling, Walter's dtr, b 1869; res (ca 1907): Ithaca, NY; CH (probably others):

FDDAEGABa. Virginia Louise Bentley, b 1902.

FDDAEGAc. Lucille Adele Bentley, b 1873, m 1897, Rev. John Irvin Frederick; res (ca 1907): 76 Enfield St., Brooklyn, NY; CH (probably others):

FDDAEGAcA. George Bentley Frederick, b 1898.

FDDAEGAcb. Carrie Rosetta Frederick, b 1901.

FDDAEGAd. Edith Naomi Bentley, b 1876, student at Cornell Univ., Ithaca, NY.

FDDAEGAe. Laurie Bertie Bentley, b 1880, m Winford L. Hall, a teacher; res (ca 1907): Lincoln, NE.

FDDAEGAF. Carlton Eugene Bentley, b 1882, m 1904, Florence Henry Sullivan, Theodore's dtr; res (ca 1907): Clinton, IA; CH (probably others):

FDDAEGAFa. Eugenia Maxine Bentley, b 1905.

FDDAEGB. Clarence Randall Bentley, b 1843, d 1858.

FDDAEGc. Lucy Adela Bentley, b 1845, d 1864.

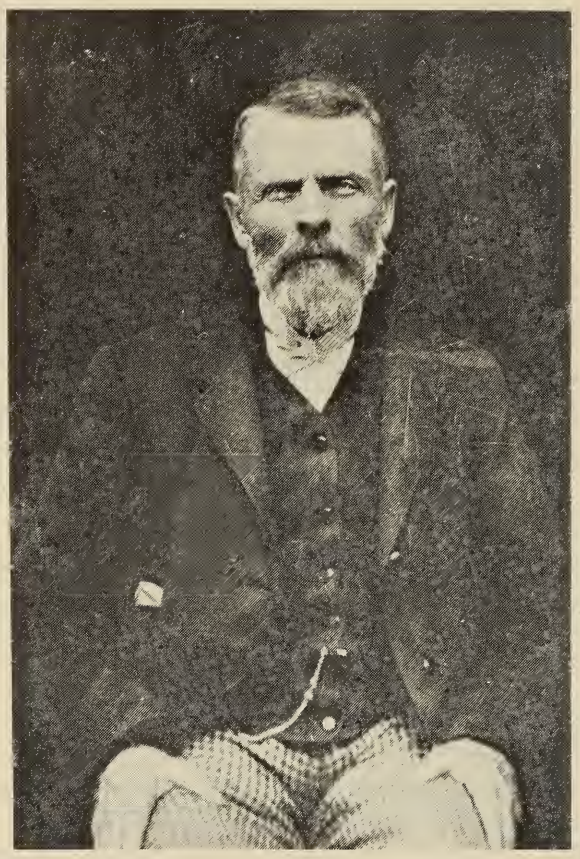
FDDAEGd. (-----) Clarise Bentley, b 1850, d 1884, m Prentice Bannister, Samuel's son, d 1906, Clinton, IA (?).

FDDAEG?. (anon.) Bentley, b 1859, d 1875 (illegible name) (Be36.).

FDDAEGF. Laurence Bentley, b 1861, d 1880 (Be36.).

FDDAEh. Betsey Bentley

FDDAEI. Colonel Reynolds Bentley (Be33.K.), b 10.15.1823, Onondaga Co., NY; d (Be33.M.) 8.11.1897, Monroe Co., MI; m (Be33.K.) 10.18.1847, Fayetteville, Onondaga Co., NY, to Lucretia Maria Flower (Be33.J.), b 5.22.1826, Ashfield, Franklin Co., MA; d (Be33.L.H.M.) 10.5.1902, Azalia, Monroe Co., MI, dtr of Elbridge Gerry Flower and Lucretia Maria Ward; 9



Colonel Reynolds Bentley, **Be:FDDAEI.**
Photo submitted by K. Berns Wheaton.

CH (Be33.J.): (**A**) George, (**B**) William, (**c**) Martha, (**d**) Florence, (**e**) Mary, (**F**) Allen, (**g**) Alina, (**h**) Jessie, and (**I**) Charles Bentley; selected DESC:

FDDAEIA. George Flower Bentley, b 9.2.1848, Onondaga Co., NY, d 6.30.1905, m 9.9.1871, Alice Baker.

FDDAEIB. William Spencer Bentley, b 9.11.1850, Van Buren, Onondaga Co., NY, d 4.24.1912, single.

FDDAEIc. Martha Amelia Bentley, b 12.13.1852, Van Buren, Onondaga Co., NY, d 1.5.1934, m 1.5.1934, Joseph W. Meadows.

FDDAEId. Florence Emma Bentley (Be33.J.), b 3.4.1855, Van Buren, Onondaga Co., d 1.13.1861.

FDDAEIe. Mary Elizabeth Bentley (Be33.J.), b 4.26.1857, Azalia, Monroe Co., MI, d 4.14.1921, m 9.26.1877, Cody Reeves (Be33.K.).

FDDAEIF. Allen Ward Bentley, b 7.9.1860, Azalia, Monroe Co., MI, d (Be33.L.H.M.) 6.8.1938, m 1882, Harriet Reeves (Be33.K.).

FDDAeIg. Alina Maria Bentley (Be33.J.), b 8.22.1862, Azalia, Monroe Co., MI, d (Be33.H.) 1.29.1941, London Twp, Monroe Co., MI, m

5.19.1889, Azalia, Monroe Co., MI, to Nathan Adelbert Stuart, (Be33.I.), b 4.19.1858, London Twp, Monroe Co., MI, d (Be33.D.) 8.7.1937, Ann Arbor, Washtenaw Co., MI, son of Nathan Calvin Stuart and wife Rachael Janet Young; CH (Be33.J.): (**a**) Jessie, (**B**) Ralph, (**C**) Calvin, and (**d**) Inez A. Stuart; selected DESC:

FDDAEIga. Jessie May Stuart (Be33.J.), b (Be33.A.) 2.19.1890, Milan, Monroe Co., MI, d (Be33.G.) 5.3.1974, Monroe, Monroe Co., MI, m (Be33.E.) 4.6.1921, Toledo, Lucas Co., OH, to Leon Kendall Hanson, b (Be33.F.) 9.20.1881, Milan, Monroe, Co., MI, d (Be33.G.) 3.26.1955, Dundee, Monroe Co., MI. Leon was the son of Hiram H. Hanson and Harrietta Thompson. Jessie and Leon had 3 CH (Be33.J.): (**a**) Madelyn, (**B**) Wyman, and (**C**) Stuart L. Hanson; selected DESC:

FDDAEIgaa. Madelyn Eleanor Hanson, b (Be33.D.) 12.6.1923, Ann Arbor, Washtenaw Co., MI, m (Be33.C.) 5.3.1941, Raisinville Twp., Monroe Co., MI, Walter William Berns, b (Be33.B.) 2.26.1919, Raisinville Twp, Monroe Co., MI, son of Henry L. Berns and wife Edna Hermina Heiden; 5 CH: (**a**) Karen L., (**B**) Lauren W., (**C**) Allen L., (**d**) Margie S., and (**e**) Gwendolyn K. Berns; selected DESC (Be33.A.):

FDDAEIgaaa. Karen Louise Berns, b 8.7.1942, Monroe, Monroe Co., MI, m 6.25.1966, Ida, Monroe Co., MI, to Roger George Wheaton, b 3.6.1942, Dundee, Monroe Co., MI, son of George Esli Wheaton and wife Helen Mary Higher.

On July 6, 1977, Karen Louise Berns Wheaton **(Be:FDDAEIgaaa.)**, a member of the Mormon Church, was conducting genealogical research on various ancestors of her own in the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library. She had arrived in Boston earlier that day from her home in

Bentley Descendants of Ann Arbor, MI, in February of 1978, l to r: Kendall Elisabeth Wheaton, **Be:FDDAEIgaaaa.;** Roger George Wheaton; Karen Louise (Berns) Wheaton, **Be:FDDAEIgaaa.;** and Ryan David Wheaton, **Be:FDDAEIgaaaB.**

Ann Arbor, MI, with her husband and two children who went sightseeing. This was the first day in her life that she had been in that particular library. Sitting at a nearby table to hers and near the card catalog with a large box of bundled manuscripts was this searcher, who also was in the library for the first time in his life. At the card catalog their paths crossed and they learned that they both had ancestors named "Bentley" a few generations back.

While comparing "notes" for a few seconds, they made the discovery that they were very likely sixth cousins! Her ancestor Caleb Bentley and this searcher's ancestor Samuel Bentley appeared to be brothers, the sons of BENJAMIN BENTLEY (Be:FDD.) and SARAH SHIPPEE of the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations. The brothers lived during the American Revolution 200 years before—Caleb, the Patriot, and Samuel, the Loyalist.

This coincidental meeting was remarkable and only possible at the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library, Boston. She moved her research paraphernalia to my table and we started immediately searching the "lost but retrieved" Bundles, numbers 6 and 7, marked "Rhode Island Bentleys" of the Mary Lovering Holman "Bentley Safe Manuscript" containing notes, genealogical record sheets, and correspondence. We were there until closing time and had found only a few items of interest. This searcher hadn't, during that day, found any written evidence of his ancestor SAMUEL. Thorough investigation of the bundles required more time. For research in the Society Library, Karen had allowed herself only one day; but this searcher, as a student attending the second annual New England Family History Seminar co-sponsored by the NEHG Society and Harvard University, planned to concentrate solely on Bentley-family research through July 15. Before saying "good-by" that evening, we agreed to share our findings. Karen later mailed to me the carefully documented trace of her descent from Caleb that is included here.

By the way, on the following day this searcher found that evidence—in the form of a written testimony in the extract of a letter written in 1861 at Van Buren, Onondaga County, New York, by Caleb's son Isaac's son Isaac **(Be:FDDAEG.)**: **"Of my grandfather's brothers, Samuel settled in Canada . . ."** Karen L. B. Wheaton **(Be:FDDAEIgaaa.)** and this searcher **(Be:FDDDABecEA.) are** sixth cousins! Yes, indeed.

Searcher-researcher and corresponding cousin Karen and husband Roger Wheaton reside (1977/78) at 1235 Glen Leven, Ann Arbor, MI (48103), with their two CH (Be33.A.):

FDDAEIgaaaa. Kendall Elisabeth Wheaton, b 1.12.1970, Ann Arbor, Washtenaw Co., MI.

FDDAEIgaaaB. Ryan David Wheaton, b 11.14.1971, Ann Arbor, Washtenaw Co., MI.

FDDAEIgaaB. Lauren Walter Berns, b 8.7.1942, Monroe, Monroe Co., MI, m 9.18.1965, Sandra Lee Fox.

FDDAEIgaaC. Allen Lee Berns, b 12.24.1944, Monroe, Monroe Co., MI; m 11.11.1967, Barbara Ann Burgess.

FDDAEIgaad. Margie Sue Berns, b 10.22.1949, Monroe, Monroe Co., MI.

FDDAEIgaae. Gwendolyn Kay Berns, b 5.3.1955, Ann Arbor, MI, m 2.1.1974, Jeffrey Renaud White.

FDDAEIgaB. Wyman Eugene Hanson, b (Be33.D.) 12.6.1923, Ann Arbor, Washtenaw Co., MI, m 9.11.1943, Ruth Marie Dennison.

FDDAEIgaC. Stuart Leon Hanson, b (Be33.H.) 8.11.1926, Dundee, Monroe Co., MI, d 9.7.1927.

FDDAEIgB. Ralph Bentley Stuart, b 8.18.1892, Milan, Monroe Co., MI, d (Be33.I.) 11.18.1966, m 8.18.1922, Lena Brockway.

FDDAEIgC. Calvin Reynolds Stuart, b 8.16.1898, Milan, Monroe Co., MI; single.

FDDAEIgd. Inez Alina Stuart, b (33.H.) 3.27.1904, Milan, Monroe Co., MI, d 4.19.1973, m Charles F. White.

FDDAEIh. Jessie May Bentley, b (Be33.H.) 7.28.1865, Azalia, Monroe Co., MI, d 1935, m B.C. Jones.

FDDAEII. Charles Eugene Bentley, Colonel's son, b (B33.H.) 9.9.1872, Azalia, Monroe Co., MI, d 10.26.1952, m 7.25.1901, Rose M. Hoak. Does he have descendants living (1978) in or around Redwood City, CA?

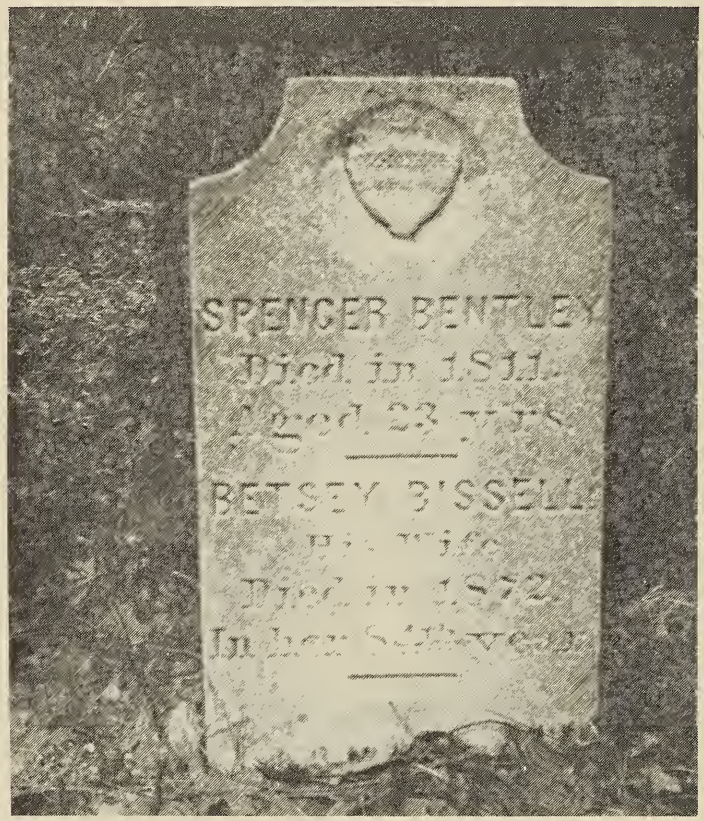
In his letter (Be408.A.) to Roy Bentley **(Be:FDDACEHC.)** of Lapeer, MI, dated 6.21.1949, Redwood City, CA, C. Eugene Bentley **(Be:FDDAEII.)** wrote:

> Your name was given to me by Mrs. Emma Bentley Miller (now class. as **Be:FDDACFEd.**) of Willis, Mich., who advised me that you could furnish me more data on the Bentley Genealogy, which I have been compiling for several years.

In that same letter C.E.B. wrote that the line of succession began with "**William Bentley**, born about 1645, Oulton, **Eng.**, married **Sarah** Eldred abt 1675-80." He added,

> Their 3rd son **Thomas Bentley**, b about 1680, No. Kings, R. I., m **Eliz.** Chamberlain, **June 6, 1706**. Thomas' 2nd Son **Benjamin**, b 1709, Est. married about 1737-38, married **Sarah Shippee**, born 1717 Est. Ben's 1st Son **Caleb** (4) **Bentley**, b Aug. 25, 1739, d 1826, West Greenwich; issue: Sarah (5) . . ., Hannah (5) . . ., and **William** (5) . . . issue: **Randall Spencer** (6) **Bentley** . . . and **Gardiner** (6) **Bentley** . . . (Be408.A.).

In 1949 and in 1950, C.E.B., residing in Redwood City, CA, corresponded with James C. Bentley **(Be:FDDACEHCC.)** (see Be408.A.,B.,C.). C. Eugene Bentley traced his ancestry back to our Bentley-family-group progenitor WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y **(Be:F.)**. However, C.E.B. was persuaded to believe that WILLIAM "of North Kingstown" had been born in "Oulton, England" (Yorkshire) ca "1645," the son of a "Thos. Bentley of Oulton." **No shred of documentary evidence has been** published, presented in any other way, or even located to justify the supposition that WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y of Kingstown, RI Colony, was b in Oulton or that he was b in 1645 or that he was the son of a Thomas Bentl(e)y. Substantiated by evidence at a more recent time, the trace C.E.B. made of the descent from the RI Bentley-progenitor to William Gardner Bentley (in 1949) and to James C. Bentley (in 1950) can be said to be an accurate one for the patrilineal names.



Marking the graves of Spencer Bentley, **Be:FDDAH.,** and wife Betsey Bissell is the only inscribed tombstone in the "Bentley Cemetery," on the Hopkins Hill Road, West Greenwich, Kent Co., RI.

According to the Town Clerk, the property adjacent to the "Bentley Cemetery," but not the cemetery, is now (1978) owned by Donald Maquire, P.O. Box 96, Exeter, RI. The cemetery would belong to heirs of William Bentley, according to the Deed of William Bentley, **Be:FDDAC.,** to M. Barber in 1829.

Be:

LOCATION OF THE BENTLEY CEMETERY IN THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF WEST GREENWICH, KENT COUNTY, RHODE ISLAND

KEY

A Mishnock River
B Mishnock Lake
C Carr Pond
D Dead Swamp
E Queen River
G East Greenwich Boundary Line
V Coventry Boundary Line
X Exeter Boundary Line

1 Route No. 3
2 Route No. 95
3 Division Road
4 The Old New London Turnpike
5 Bates Trail
6 Henry Brown Road
7 Hopkins Hill Road
8 The Bentley Cemetery

FDDAf. Betsey Bentley, b 2.28.1781, West Greenwich, Kent Co., RI (Be32.E.), d 1805 (Be36.); "2nd daughter of Caleb Bentley and wife Leah" (Be69.).

FDDAg. Sally (Sarah—?) Bentley, b 3.4.1783, West Greenwich, Kent Co., RI (Be32.E.), d 1800 (Be36.); "3rd daughter of Caleb Bentley and wife Leah" (Be69.).

FDDAH. Spencer Bentley, "5th son of Caleb and Leah Bentley" (Be69.); b 4.23.1787, West Greenwich, Kent Co., RI, d 7.22.1811, West Greenwich, Kent Co., RI; husband of Betsey (Be32.E.); b 1787, d 1811, m Betsey (Be36.). "Spencer Bentley Died in 1811. Aged 23 y'rs. Betsey Bissell His Wife Died in 1872. In her 84th year." (Be68.).

The foregoing tombstone inscription on their tombstone was located by Mrs. Blanche F. Albro of Coventry, RI (Be62.). The graves were located in the Bentley cemetery or burial ground "located off of the Hopkins Hill Road in West Greenwich." Mrs. Albro explained, "The cemetery is enclosed with a stone wall approximately 40 feet by 40 feet." See **Be41.C.** and Be247.

During the past few years, Mrs. Albro has been making a record (for her own benefit) of all the old family cemeteries in her town (1978). In the early days of RI, settlers buried their families on their own farms. Later, many of these farms were abandoned and the woods have grown over the cemeteries. Some of the cemeteries have been destroyed by land development, others by vandals.

Mrs. Albro returned to the cemetery in July of 1978, and took the photograph of the tombstone indicating where the remains of Spencer Bentley and his wife Betsey were laid to rest. "Ten more graves were marked with field stones. Maybe some of those graves were for Caleb Bentley and wife," Mrs. Albro added. This searcher visited the cemetery in Aug. 1981.

Spencer Bentley's **Will** was written 7.2.1811, and was proved 11.29.1811, providing further evidence identifying Spencer, Betsey, and their child. Their only child was:

FDDAHa. Betsey Ann Bentley, b 5.30.1811, West Greenwich, RI (Be32.E.); b 1811 (Be36.); and named in her father Spencer's **Will** as "child Betsey Ann" (Be42.A.).

Mrs. Albro located the West Greenwich record of Betsey Ann's birth and her father's death which reads:

Betsey Ann Bentley Eldest Daughter Spencer Bentley and Betsay his wife was Born May the 30th day AD 1811 on Thursday at Eleven Oclock in the afternoon.

The above Named Spencer Bentley departed this Life July the 22nd day AD 1811. (Be43.).

"Betseyan Bentley of West greenwich in the County of Kent in the State of Rhode island & PP" was named in an indenture or agreement for the lease

and settlement of Bentley property in Rhode Island, located partly in West Greenwich in the County of Kent and partly in Exeter in the County of Washington. The agreement was made between Betsey Ann's uncle William, then of Coventry, Kent Co., RI, and Caleb and Leah, William's parents and Betsey Ann's grandparents, parents of her deceased father Spencer. One of the provisions of the document, dated March 7, 1814, obligates William to pay "Betseyan" $100 within one year after Caleb's decease. Betsey Ann's mother "Betsey Bentley" signed the document as a witness (Be65.).

Revision of the Classification for Descendants of Maria Bentley, Be:FDDACFc. (ref: page 1288)

In September of 1983, this classifier received a letter and a chart for a nine-generation trace from Mrs. William (Jean Marjorie Reuland) Kane (Be:FDDACFcEBaa.) of 15629 S. Hollyhock Court, Orland Park, IL 60462. By certificates she has been able to verify the necessary dates and links for her children, spouse and herself, parents, grandparents, ggf (d-cert), and gggm (d-cert) Maria Bentley (Be:FDDACFc.). In August, Jean received a copy of both birth and death dates for family members of Randall S. Bentley (Be:FDDACF.) on a transcription record in the Butchart Family **Bible** from mutual Cousin Doug Legg, descendant of both Nancy Bentley (Be:FDDACFd.) and Randall S. Bentley's second wife Helen (Ogilvy) Scott's second child by Helen's first marriage named Christine Scott who became the wife of John Butchart.

FDDACFc. Maria Bentley, b 7.27.1827, d 1.9.1901, was the dtr of Randall Spencer Bentley, b 4.10.1800, d 10.13.1893, who m 1.13.1822, Jane Barclay. Maria's **parents** Randall and Jane had these seven CH: (a) Lavin(i)a Bentley, b 3.7.1823, d 2.11.1906; (B) William Bentley, b 3.22.1825, d 4.5.1902; (c) **Maria Bentley**; (d) Nancy Bentley, b 4.29.1830, d 2.27.1884, desc living in Oakville, ON; (E) George B. Bentley, b 12.24.1832, d 1920; (f) Jane Bentley, b 12.12.1835, d 1836; and (G) Randall S. Bentley, b 2.6.1838.

Maria m 9.21.1844, Duncan Sinclair, foundry owner, Meaford, ON, and had these eight CH: (a) Jane B. Sinclair, b 1847; (B) George S. Sinclair, b 8.6.1848; (C) William Sinclair, b 1849; (D) James L. Sinclair, b 1.17.1854, d 10.9.1884; (E) **David D. Sinclair**, b 9.2.1857; (F) John R. Sinclair, b 1861; (G) William B. Sinclair (twin), b 1861, d 1936; and (H) St. Clair Eli Sinclair, b 6.1865, d 6.16.1884.

FDDACFcE. David D. Sinclair, carpenter in Chicago and FL, b 9.2.1857, d 1.11.1945, m 10.30.1882, Ormena Anger; two CH:

FDDACFcEa. Mable Pearl Sinclair, b 9.8.1883.

FDDACFcEB. Ernest Leslie Sinclair, b 10.28.1886, d 10.30.1952, m 12.31.1908, Cecelia Vanderzee; two CH: (a) **Marjorie O. Sinclair**, b 1911, and (b) Evelyn Mabel Sinclair, b 1.18.19??.

FDDACFcEBa. Marjorie Ormena Sinclair, b 12.10.1911, d 11.13.1972, m 6.17.1939, Matthew Reuland; their only CH:

FDDACFcEBaa. Jean Marjorie Reuland, b 12.19.1942, m 5.9.1970, William Kane; res (1983): Orland Park, IL (60462). In her letter, corresponding Cousin Jean also added she located in a museum in Markham, ON, information from Marian Harrington of Drayton Plains, MI, who credited most of the original compilation there to **"Dr. F. H. Titus of Dover, NH, who d 1910."** Their three CH:

FDDACFcEBaaa. Suzanne Jennifer Kane, b 4.11.1972.

FDDACFcEBaaB. William M. Kane, b 2.10.1976.

FDDACFcEBaaC. Matthew Patrick Kane, b 11.12.1980.

Subsubline IV.DB. Joseph, Be:FDDB.

FDDB. Joseph Bentley, son of BENJAMIN BENTLEY, JR.,[1] and SARAH, b 3.25.1740/1, Exeter, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, New England, according to the transcribed birth record (Be21B.).

Joseph's descendants have **not** been identified and classified here (please see reference Be74.).

[1]The "Jr." only indicates that an older person in the same community had the same name, in this case an uncle. The "Jr." was used to distinguish the younger from the older individual; the "Jr." does **not** distinguish son from father—in this case.

Be:

Subsubline IV. DC. Thomas, Be:FDDC.

FDDC. Thomas Bentley, son of BENJAMIN BENTLEY, JR.,[1] and SARAH, b 1.4.1743, Exeter, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, New England (Be21B.).

Thomas Bentley **(Be:FDDC.)**, son of BENJAMIN, was not named but was referred to as a brother of Caleb Bentley and as the father of Bentleys living in "Westford," Otsego Co., NY, in 1861. William C. Bentley **(Be:FDDABB.)**, son of Randall Spencer Bentley, Caleb's son, stated in his letter of January 19, 1861 **(Be34B.1.)**, Butternuts, Otsego County, NY, among other things,

> There is a family of Bentleys residing in the town of Westford this Co., whom I know to be distantly related to me. The eldest of them was **a cousin of my father** and I remember my father visiting him.

The following genealogical information on descendants of Thomas Bentley **(Be:FDDC.)**, son of Benjamin, was extracted from the book entitled **Biographical Review of Otsego County, New York**, Boston: Biog. Review Pub. Co., 1893; pp. 286-287 (Be407.). The article was brought to this searcher's attention by searcher Edwin M. Bentley of Seattle (1977). Classification of each member of the Bentley Family Group has been added.

> The genealogy of the Bentley family was prepared by R. T. Bentley **(Be:FDDCED.)**, deceased, a cousin of William H. Bentley **(Be:FDDCGE.)**. From that genealogical record it is learned that the first Bentley to be authentically accounted for was Thomas Bentley, Sr. **(Be:FDDC.)**, who settled in Canaan, Columbia, N. Y. The Bentleys were, however, of English origin, and traditional history has it that four brothers came in early days to New England, three of whom remained and settled in Rhode Island, the other returning to England, whence they all came together.[2]
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> Thomas Bentley, Sr. **(Be:FDDC.)**, was born in Rhode Island, and **came with his parents**[3] to Columbia County when quite young. Nothing more is known of him than that his wife was **Barbara Vaughn**, and that they both died at the home of their son, Thomas, Jr. **(Be:FDDCE.)**, at a very great age. Thomas Bentley, Sr., was the grandfather . . .

of William H. Bentley **(Be:FDDCGE.)**.

[1]According to New England historians and genealogists, the "Jr." does not necessarily mean that the individual has the same first name as his father. If someone living in the same vicinity had the same name, the younger male simply added the "Jr." to his name to make the distinction. In this case, Benjamin, Jr., had an uncle living in Exeter, therefore the younger Benjamin had the distinction of being called Benjamin Bentley, Junior. The above named BENJAMIN was the son of THOMAS, son of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y of Kingstown.

[2]Apparently no evidence has ever been located to prove this statement. If there were other Bentleys in America at the same time as the English-American progenitor of this family, their interrelationships have **not** been documented.

[3]This searcher does **not** have any evidence that the parents of Thomas Bentley, Sr. **(Be:FDDC.)**, ever left Rhode Island. Where was Thomas during the Rev. War?

William H. Bentley's father William Bentley **(Be:FDDCG.)** and three of his father's brothers named "Rufus **(Be:FDDCB.)**, Thomas **(Be:FDDCE.)** and Russell **(Be:FDDCF.)**, all settled near where William H. Bentley" lived (1892)

> when the country was a wilderness,[1] bought land there and made clearings, built pioneer cabins, and the locality is still known as Bentley's Hollow (1892), and is immortalized in the **Leatherstocking Tales** of James Fenimore Cooper.

Thomas Bentley, Sr **(Be:FDDC.)**, and Barbara Vaughn reared a family of

> nine children, some of whom entered the professions and others became mechanics. A few of them became prominent in politics, and filled important offices of honor and trust. It is probable that the older portion of the family took active parts in the War of 1812-15, and possibly, too, some of them in the Revolutionary War. It was prior to the great Cherry Valley massacre that the Bentleys settled in Columbia County.

William Bentley **(Be:FDDCG.)**, b Canaan, Columbia Co., NY, 2.22.1791, d 2.23.1862, in the house in which his son William H. Bentley **(Be:FDDCGE.)** lived in 1892. William m 1.2.1812, Brachie Dumont, b 1791, d 9.1.1857, desc. of Dutch and French ancestry.

William H. Bentley **(Be:FDDCGE.)**, b 11.13.1823, in the house in which he lived (1892), a large, handsome, old-fashioned building, which was erected by his father William many years ago (before 1892). The home was in the village of Maple Valley, where W.H.B. had been the Postmaster for more than fifteen years and his wife had been the Deputy. Politically, he was a Republican; he cast his first vote for William Henry Harrison for President in 1840. He was one of the most prominent farmers and business men in Otsego County. He owned one of the most beautiful farm homes in the country. Although practically a retired farmer, he had been for over twenty-five years a general traveling agent for the widely known firm of Whitman and Barnes, of Syracuse, NY, and was one of the stockholders of the firm. He was reared on the farm, and secured the same common-school education that boys received at the time, but otherwise than this had acquired the knowledge and learning he possesses by his own efforts. He was married 9.25.1855, to Miss P. Elizabeth Cummings, who was born in the town of Middlefield, Otsego Co., 4.1.1833, and a daughter of Daniel, one of the earliest pioneers of the county. P. Elizabeth was a highly educated lady, and was a graduate of one of the best schools in the State, which was noted for its excellent educational institutions. "Speaking in a general way, it would be difficult to find anywhere in this State a family possessing greater intelligence and refinement." Two of their children were William B. and George R. Bentley.

[1]No dates are given.

William B. Bentley **(Be:FDDCGEC.)**, b 8.8.1866, m 12.15.1891, to Miss Susan Prescott. He was a graduate of Harvard, and became a professor in the chemistry department of the State University of Arkansas.

George R. Bentley **(Be:FDDCGED.)**, b 7.5.1870, Maple Valley, Otsego Co., NY, m Hannah Smith of Richmondville, Schoharie Co., NY. He received a fine commercial education at the Albany Business College, NY, and became manager of his father's estate.

On August 16, 1978, this searcher received an envelope containing xerox copies of part of a genealogical compilation for Thomas Bentley **(Be:FDDC.)** of Otsego Co., NY, and his descendants. The material (permission granted) was sent by searcher Edwin M. Bentley of Seattle, WA, who had just completed a week's rewarding search in the Genealogical Society Library in Salt Lake City, UT. He viewed much microfilm and finally developed writer's cramp.

Only 100 copies of the book, previously unknown to these searchers, were printed in June of 1978, just two months before "discovery" in SLC by "Seattle Ed." The 162-page compilation is in two parts: (1) a copy of a genealogy done in 1891 by Russel T. Bentley and (2) updated statistics in 1975, with photos, news articles, obituaries, and stories supplied by the searcher, researcher, compiler and writer Ruth (Babington) Schmidt **(Be:FDDCEDAdb.)**, a descendant of Thomas Bentley **(Be:FDDC.)**. Ruth's book is entitled **As The Twig Is Bent—A Bentley Family History** in two parts: 1891, 1975.

This message and the signature of Ruth Schmidt, Merton, WI, are found on the title page of the SLC, UT, copy: "I grant permission to use these records and stories for genealogical research, in whatever way it will help others to trace their family."

Mrs. Elmer (Ruth Babington) Schmidt, Box 554, Merton, WI 53056, 73 years old (1978), was telephoned (1-414-538-1643) by this searcher in August of 1978, our first contact. After an illuminating conversation, we exchanged mailing addresses. The community of Merton is located west of Milwaukee in Waukesha Co., WI.

Ruth had only a few copies of her work still available but she agreed to mail a copy to this very appreciative searcher. Like this searcher, Ruth is anxious for younger descendants of the Bentley Family Group to get involved with our family history and genealogy—to help preserve and to perpetuate the truth regarding our common ancestors and their descendants. Additions and corrections need to be continually made. Interested people are needed to make them. The challenge is to revise, to record, to investigate, and eventually to publish for posterity.

Mrs. Elmer (Ruth Babington) Schmidt **(Be:FDDCEDAdb.)**, b 1905, widow, a ninth-generation descendant of our English-American progenitor WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y, is the:

dtr of Kate W. (8) (Bentley) Babington **(Be:FDDCEDAd.)** (b 1870),
dtr of Stephan (7) Bentley **(Be:FDDCEDA.)** (b 1840),
son of Russel T. (6) Bentley **(Be:FDDCED.)** (b 1816),
son of Thomas (5) Bentley, Jr. **(Be:FDDCE.)** (b 1784),
son of Thomas (4) Bentley, Sr. **(Be:FDDC.)** (b 1743),
son of BENJAMIN (3) BENTL(E)Y **(Be:FDD.)** (b 1714),
son of THOMAS (2) BENTL(E)Y **(Be:FD.)** (b 1685),
son of WILLIAM (1) BENTL(E)Y **(Be:F.)**, (b ca 1637-1640), the Progenitor of Kingstown, RI Colony, Native of Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England.

In the introduction to **As The Twig Is Bent**, R.B. Schmidt wrote:

> I began searching for bits of Bentley history in the early months of 1974. I jotted down the things I **thought** I knew and listed inquiries to take to our family reunion in May, 1974. Here I found that our memories, although of the same era, were colored by individual experiences and philosophies. Consequently, even common memories which we shared were widely different in interpretation. But, no matter how distorted or glamorous the memory became, it was strengthened and kept alive by conversation and pictures. We agreed the Bentleys had many worthwhile heritages to preserve. The finest, perhaps, is our strong religious convictions. . .
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> Shortly after our reunion, in answer to a letter of inquiry sent to New York State, I was lucky enough to find a genealogy, written in 1891, by my great grandfather, Russel T. Bentley, which gave me a starting point in my research. William Bentley's family of Otsego Co., New York, had saved this manuscript and it was graciously shared with me by William's great-grandson, Cdr. Granville Bentley. Therefore I started my record by copying Russel's work. I have checked and double-checked entries with VR documents in New York, Rhode Island, Illinois, Nebraska, and Wisconsin. I compared these with Lobdell's book **Bentley Gleanings** printed in 1905, and with family **Bibles**. As much as possible I have corresponded directly with descendants from each branch of our family tree.

Russel Thomas Bentley completed his hand-written Bentley-family-history in May of 1891, just a little over a year before he died on July 24, 1892, Kickapoo (?), WI. William Burdelle Bentley **(Be:FDDCGEA.)**, son of William H. Bentley, transcribed a copy, in 1929, of Russel Thomas Bentley's work, made appropriate additions, and entitled the narration "Bentley Genealogy." This is the copy that descended to Granville Charles Bentley **(Be:FDDCGEABD.)**, who updated it and shared it with Ruth (Babington) Schmidt.

William B. Bentley **(Be:FDDCGEA.)** wrote:

> Other data has been somewhat changed in form, additions and corrections, which have been introduced. The numbers in parentheses following the names of different members of a family, are intended to represent the line of descent from Thomas Bentley Sr. The first number indicates a child of Thomas Bentley. Every descendant of Rufus has a **1** as its first number because Rufus was the first child of Thomas. Rufus' first child, Tamar, will have the number **(1-1)**. Thus Harold Bentley is **(5-5-3-2)** meaning he is descended from William, the fifth child of Thomas; from Wm. H., the fifth child of William; from Wm. B. the third child of Wm. H.; and Harold is the second child of Wm. B. Unfortunately the numbers assigned to Thomas' children are **not** chronologically correct, because the correct order was **not** known by Russel T.

This classifier is pleasantly surprised to see how similar William Burdelle Bentley's chosen system is to his own system of genealogical classification by family group coding — employing, instead of numbers, capital and small letters indicating both the sex (male and female, respectively) and the birth sequence (factual, theoretical, or hypothetical) while simultaneously highlighting the enciphered descent, generation by generation, from the recognized progenitor to the individual descendant.

Russel T. Bentley **(Be:FDDCED.) attached a note to the copy of his manuscript sent to William Burdelle Bentley's father William H. Bentley, (Be:FDDCGE.)** reading:

> I intended these statistics for publication, but few took interest enough to purchase a copy at **$1.00** per copy, the lowest price I could get it printed and bound, so I did the only thing left to do—I have copied it for each of the list below, trusting each will do what he can to keep the record in the future, by sending postals or letter to each other on January 1st of each year, to tell of changes of the past year. And also to me, while I live at Kickapoo, Wis.; and when we all get Home we will bow together at the Throne and render thanks to Him who loved and redeemed us.

The signature of "Cousin R. T. Bentley" followed. Copies of R.T.'s ms. were sent to:

(1) Chas. E. Spicer, Appleton, Wis., son-in-law of Alvern P. Bentley (Russel's brother), **i.e.** husband of Alvern P. Bentley's dtr, Mrs. Charles E. (Anna Maria Bentley) Spicer **(Be:FDDCEAe.)**;

(2) Cyrenius Bentley Pettie **(Be:FDDCBeE.)**, Blooming Prairie, MN; grandson of Russel's Uncle Rufus;

(3) William H. Bentley (Be:FDDCGE.), Maple Valley, NY, son of Russel's Uncle William Bentley;

(4) Bentley Wheeler Green **(Be:FDDCcfE.)**, Plainfield, IL, grandson of Mercy Bentley and son of Otilla Wheeler Green;

(5) Amelia Dorliska George **(Be:FDDCEBd.)**, Tres Pinos, CA, dtr of Horatio Nelson, brother of Russel; and

(6) anonymous (name blotted out) (Be:--unclassifiable), South Bend, IN.

Ruth B. Schmidt notes, "Russell's original burned in Montana, about 1929." A dtr of Alverne L. Bentley **(Be:FDDCEDC.)** had that copy.

The copy sent to William Burdelle Bentley's **(Be:FDDCGEA.)** father William H. Bentley is the one Ruth was fortunate enough to locate and perpetuate.

William Burdelle Bentley again comments on Russel T. Bentley:

> The author copied his record, with the comments that followed, in a blank book, with a pen, and presumably sent such a book to each of the listed names. He must have felt keen disappointment in having his carefully matured plan, on which he spent so much time and effort, bring so little result. I have penned my own comments to this manuscript, as requested. I add, also, a copy of **inscriptions on tombstones of Thomas and his wife Barbara. They are buried in Maple Valley, NY: Thomas Bentley, died May 2, 1819, age 75; Barberry Bentley, wife of Thomas Bentley, died Jan. 8, 1823, age 77 years.**

While attempting to determine the ancestry of Thomas Bentley **(Be:FDDC.)**, William Burdelle Bentley **(Be:FDDCGEC.)**, b 1866, included in his "conjectures" of 1929 these comments (extracts) regarding his ancestor Thomas Bentley, son of Benjamin Bentley and wife Sarah Shippee (Be401., Be402.):

> . . . he (Russel T. Bentley, **Be:FDDCED.)** knew nothing concerning the parentage of his grandparents (**i.e.**, Rhode Islanders Thomas and Barbara). With help derived from various sources, the following **deductions** have been drawn, as will be explained. His (Thomas Bentley, **Be:FDDC.)** tombstone bears the inscription 'Died May 2, 1819, age 75 yrs.' This should make his birth date 1744. From papers (?) belonging to L. G. Bentley **(Be:FDDCBFDA.)** of Worcester, NY, the date of Thomas Bentley's birth is January 22, 1744. It must be recalled that at about that time there was a change of one year in the calendar and this might make the proper date January, 1743. In records of the Webster family, Aaron Webster is recorded as having married Amy Bentley **(Be:FDDCd.)**, daughter of Thomas and Barbara Bentley, **formerly of Rhode Island (Be402.).**[1] This makes probable the birth of Thomas in that state . . . the discrepancy between 'Jan. 4' (1743) (Arnold, J.N., **Vital Record of Rhode Island**, Vol. 5, 'Exeter—Births and Deaths,' p. 40) (Exeter 'Births' Book 1:201) (see photo of original) and 'Jan. 22' (1744) of

[1]Note that the information enclosed within parentheses is that provided by this searcher. Charlotte Webster, dtr of an Aaron and Mary (Sheppard) Webster, m Russell Bentley (Be:FDDCF.) (see Be404.).

L.G.B.'s record (as birth dates for Thomas) **may have been** a clerical error as we notice 'Jan. 4' for **Samuel** as well as **Thomas.**

In June of 1978, a descendant of Thomas and Barbara (Vaughn) Bentley named Mrs. Elmer (Ruth Babington) Schmidt **(Be:FDDCEDAdb.)**, Merton, WI, published her 162-page compilation. Her compilation, the Bentley family history entitled **As The Twig Is Bent** consists of two parts, a copy of the manuscript entitled "Record of the Bentley Family" by Ruth's ggf and her updated statistics through 1975 and later, with stories concerning different descendants of Thomas Bentley **(Be:FDDC.)**.

This searcher-cousin of Ruth's secured her permission to include whatever appeared to be appropriate for or relevant to the material in **Genealogical Classification by Family Group Coding.** The existence of **As The Twig Is Bent** was brought to this searcher's attention in August of 1978, by searcher Edwin M. Bentley of Seattle, who spent several days searching in the Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT, for any evidence regarding Bentleys. Just a very short interval of time earlier, Ruth had deposited copies there and in Washington, DC. How fortunate we are to have this very relevant segment of the Bentley family included here.

The timely discovery of this most recent work enlarges the roll to include the descendants of Thomas Bentley **(Be:FDDC.)** with those of his brothers Caleb Bentley **(Be:FDDA.)**, Gideon Bentley **(Be:FDDF.)**, and SAMUEL BENTLEY **(Be:FDDD.)**. Apparently only the descendants of brothers Joseph Bentley **(Be:FDDB.)** and Benjamin Bentley **(Be:FDDE.)** remain to be identified, selected, and classified. Enlarging the roll by the addition of these presently unknown cousins including some who are living can become a reality in the near future.

Thomas Bentley **(Be:FDDC.)**, b 1.6.1744, d 5.2.1819, m Barbara Vaug(h)n, b 12.15.1746, d 1.8.1823 (Be400., Be401.); b 1.4.1743, Exeter, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, New England, son of BENJAMIN BENTLEY ("Jr.") and wife SARAH (Exeter "Births," 1:201) (Be32H.) SHIPPEE (Be267.). Thomas Bentley of Exeter m September 5, 1765, East Greenwich, RI Colony, Barbara Vaughn of East Greenwich, by Thomas Shippee, Justice (East Greenwich "Marriages" Book 2:29) (J.N. Arnold, **Vital Record of Rhode Island**, Vol. 1, "East Greenwich Marriages," p. 9). According to one account, "Barbara Vaugn" was said to have been b 12.15.1746, dtr of David and Mercy (Green) "Vaugn" (Be401.). According to J.N. Arnold, **Vital Record of Rhode Island**, Vol. 1, "**East Greenwich** Births and Deaths," p. 165 (EG book 2:1), a "**Barbara Vaughn was born 12.4.1745, dtr of Daniel and Mercy**," whose CH (same ref.) were named as: (1) Waite, b 1743; (2) **Barbara**; (3) Jesse, b 1747; (4) Almy, b 1749; (5) William, b 1752; (6) Hulda, b 1755; (7) Johannah, b 1757; (8) Rufus, b 1759; and (9) Eunice, b 1762. Thomas Bentley d May 2, 1819, bur Bentley Hollow (name changed to Maple Valley later), Otsego Co., NY, and Barbara, his wife, d January 8, 1823 (Be402.).

According to Russel T. Bentley **(Be:FDDCED.)** (Be400.) (1891) great-grandson of Thomas Bentley, Sr. **(Be:FDDC.)**,

> The Bentley family is of English origin, although its blood has been mingled with Scotch, Irish, and French, and probably, by now, with nearly every nation in Europe (European-American combinations); **and** there once lived on Otsego Lake, a family by this name who were as black as the ace of spades. I need not say I have made no effort to trace a connection between us but I account for it by the fact that in slavery times slaves often took the names of their masters.
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> Tradition says four brothers came in the early days of New England and settled in Rhode Island, three stayed and one returned to England where the family is well represented today. The object of these pages is to trace my branch of the family as far as possible each way. I have not been able to trace back further than **Thomas Bentley**[1] of Canaan, Columbia Co., New York, originally from Rhode Island. **Gideon Bentley**[2] of Exeter, Rhode Island, was the eldest Bentley I ever heard of, being 107 years old. These are probably cousins — similar names, same traditions, as of origin; coming from same place and having family resemblances. **Charles Benjamin Bentley**[3] of Appleton, Wisconsin, has three children, all girls, so his share of the name will cease when he dies.
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> Of Thomas Bentley, Sr., who spent his last days in my father's house, I can just remember an old man who walked with a cane. I do not remember his death. I do not remember the death of **Barbara Vaugn Bentley**[4], about 1821, but I remember her as living in our kitchen alone. They raised a goodly family of four boys and three or four girls who all followed their example in that respect. Although some of the third and fourth generation have failed to do their part, as a rule the Bentleys have not been behind in obeying the scriptural injunction 'Be fruitful, multiply and replenish the earth,' as the . . . genealogical record abundantly proves.

Thomas Bentley, Sr. **(Be:FDDC.)** and Barbary or Barbara Vaug(h)n, his wife, had these 8 CH: (a) Elizabeth, b 3.5.1767 (d young?); (B) Rufus, b 1.12.1773; (c) Mercy, b 2.1.1778; (d) Amy, b 4.15.1781; (E) Thomas, Jr., b 1.6.1784; (F) Russel, b 4.17.1786; (G) William, b 2.22.1790; and (h) Barbara, b 1801. Their selected and known DESC:

FDDCa. Elizabeth Bentley, b 3.5.1767, may have d young; no further records.

FDDCB. Rufus Bentley, son of Thomas and Barbara (Be397., Be400., Be401.), b Jan. 12, 1773 (Be400.), b Jan. or Feb. 12, 1773 (Be397.), b

[1]Thomas Bentley **(Be:FDDC.)**.

[2]Gideon Bentley **(Be:FDDF.)**.

[3]Charles Benjamin Bentley **(Be:FDDFMD.)**.

[4]Barbara (Vaughn) Bentley or Barbary Vaughn.

Canaan, Columbia Co., NY (Be400., Be401.), b near Hudson, Columbia Co., NY (Be397.); d 2.18.1852 (Be397., Be400.), d 2.13.1852 (Be401.), d Westford, Otsego Co., NY (Be400.), d 2.13.1852 (Be401.), d Westford, Otsego Co., NY (Be401.); m ----, Esther Dickinson, b 5.16.1774 (Be397.), b 5.6.1774 (Be400., Be401.), b near Hudson, Columbia Co., NY (Be397.), d 2.24.1844 (Be397., Be400., Be401.); their eight CH: (a) Tamar Bentley (name **not** included in Be397.) (Be400., Be401.), (B) Sylvester Bentley (Be397., Be400., Be401.), (c) Lucretia Bentley, (d) Amy Bentley, (e) Betsey Bentley, (F) Cyrenus Bentley, (g) Laura Bentley, and (H) George Thomas Bentley.

According to his nephew Russel T. Bentley in his 1891 "compilation" (Be400.),

> Rufus Bentley, the oldest son (second oldest child), became an inhabitant of Westford when it was almost an uninhabited wilderness, no roads, and of course, no transportation except horseback or more frequently 'man-back' and where now the steam whistle is heard and the products of the world are to be had at our door for prices our grandparents would think marvelous. The forest furnished them sugar and their fields furnished bread and flax for summer clothing; their sheep and cattle furnished their meat, winter clothing and shoes. What they could not afford to buy, they made. If they wanted instruments to work these farm products, or spinning wheels or looms, they made them. Uncle Rufus made houses, bedsteads, chairs, tables, barrels, tubs, pails, everything they wanted—down to the buttons on his clothes. The cloth was made by his wife, but he made the wheel to spin the flax and wool, and the loom to weave it on. In fact, Uncle was a wonder of ingenuity among his neighbors and yet the land of hills and woods and stones 'where the Susquehanna's utmost springs flow from every farm and field' has turned out some pretty smart folks, myself for instance.
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> But I wonder if it was Uncle Rufus and not the woods I was describing. He was a man of good judgment and sound information with talent to use both, and woe to the man who took argument with him. I never knew him worsted in debate, though slow of speech, his words all counted. His wife, Esther Dickinson, was still slower of speech than he, consequently all was quiet in their home. Although he was a Freewill Baptist and his oldest son a Methodist preacher, not an unnecessary word was heard in that family.
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> He lived to a good old age, was honored by his fellow citizens, held many sundry offices of trust — Justice, Supervisor, etc. I never heard a whisp of fault-finding as is often done for political effect, nor was there a breath of detraction of his religious character. May we live his life, die his death and our last end be as his.

The classification of the known descendants of Rufus and his wife Esther follows.

FDDCBa. Tamar Bentley (Be400., Be401.) (note that "Tamar" is **not** included as an offspring of Rufus and Esther in Be397.) (?). Tamar was b 1791, d 1865 (Be400., Be401.), Canaan, NY (Be401.); m ----, Moses Essex of Cadiz, NY, b 1790, d 1862 (Be400.); 5 CH:

FDDCBaa. Mariah Essex, b 1816, d 1874, m 1840, Jacob Bennet (Be400.).

FDDCBab. Ameline Essex, b 1817, d 1883, m 1840, Menzo Morgan (Be400.) ("Manzo" Morgan, Be401.).

FDDCBac. Rachel Essex, b 1820, d 1880, m 1.1.1846, Walter Essex (Be400.) (?).

FDDCBad. Lavanche Essex, b 1823, d 1877, m 1.18.1846, Oliver Essex of Cadiz, NY (Be400., Be401.); CH:

FDDCBadA. Frank Essex, d 1872 (Be400.).

FDDCBaE. Cyrenius Bentley Essex, b 1827, d 1886, m 1861, Almira Trieten (?) (Be400.).

FDDCBB. Sylvester Bentley (Be397., Be400., Be401.), b 9.29.1795, Canaan, NY (Be400.), b 9.1795, "of Westford, Otsego" (Be397.); d 12.2.1874 (Be401., Be397.); d Albany, Albany Co., NY (Be397.); m 1818, Zilphia Waterman, b 1791, d 1870 (Be400.) or m Zilpha Waterman, John's dtr, b 3.16.1791, Albany, Albany Co., NY, d 10.30.1870, Albany, Albany Co., NY (Be397.); 6 CH: (A) William, (B) Joseph, (c) Harriet (Harriot), (D) David, (E) Edgar, and (F) Edwin Bentley; DESC:

FDDCBBA. William John Bentley, b 1.25.1820 (Be397., Be400.), b Albany, Albany Co., NY (Be397.).

FDDCBBB. Joseph Rufus Bentley, b 7.6.1823 (Be397., Be400.), b Albany, Albany Co., NY (Be397.).

FDDCBBc. Harriet Bentley (Be397.) or "Hariot" (Be400.), b 2.6.1826 (Be397., Be400.), b Albany, Albany Co., NY, m ---- McBride (Be397.).

FDDCBBD. David Sylvester Bentley, b 2.20.1828 (Be397., Be400.).

FDDCBBE. Edgar Bentley, twin, b 4.18.1829 (Be397., Be400.), d 6.23.1903 (Be397.), d 6.20.1903, Marshalltown, IA (Be400.).

FDDCBBF. Edwin Bentley, twin, b 4.18.1829 (Be397., Be400., Be401.), d 1905 (Be401.), d 9.2.1905 (Be397.), m 1861, Lucinda Clark Wilsey (Be401.); CH (Be400., Be401.):

FDDCBBFA. Duane Bentley, b 5.19.1862, d 3.9.1913 (Be401.).

FDDCBBFB. Ulysses Sylvester Bentley, b 1864, Marshalltown, IA, (Be400.); 3 CH: (a) Zilphia, (b) Alchea, and (c) Ada M. Bentley.

FDDCBBFBa. Zilphia Bentley, b 5.25.1896, d 5.25.1896.

FDDCBBFBb. Alchea Bentley, b 4.26.1899 (?).

FDDCBBFBc. Ada M. Bentley, b 1.21.1902.

FDDCBc. Lucretia Bentley, b 10.30.1798, Canaan, Columbia Co., NY, d 1802, Bentley Hollow (Westford), Otsego Co., NY (Be400., Be401.).

FDDCBd. Amy Bentley, b 6.15.1801, Westford, Otsego, NY (Be397.), d 1878, Minnesota City, MN, m 1818, Asa Waterman; 8 CH: (A) Harrison, (b) Ann, (C) Wes(t)ley, (D) John, (e) Esther, (F) Rufus, (g) Elvira, and (H) George Asa Bentley; their DESC (Be400., Be401.):

FDDCBdA. Harrison B. Waterman, b 1820, m 1851, Minnesota City, MN, Mary C. Fuller; 9 CH (Be400., Be401.):

FDDCBdAA. George B. Waterman, b 1854, d 1861.

FDDCBdAb. Clara E. Waterman, b 1855.

FDDCBdAC. Clarence C. Waterman, b 1859.

FDDCBdAd. Amy E. Waterman, b 1862, d 1864.

FDDCBdAe. Bon Waterman, b 1864.

FDDCBdAf. Lilly Waterman, twin, b 1867, d 1888.

FDDCBdAg. Rose Waterman, twin, b 1867, d 1872.

FDDCBdAh. Marcena E. Waterman, b 1869.

FDDCBdAI. Harry Eugene Waterman, b 1871.

FDDCBdb. Ann Eliza Waterman, b 1821.

FDDCBdC. Wes(t)ley I. Waterman, b 1824.

FDDCBdD. John William Waterman, b 1826.

FDDCBde. Esther M. Waterman, b 1827, d ----, m 1845, Almond Clark; 6 CH:

FDDCBdeA. George W. Clark, b 1852, d ----, m 1872.

FDDCBdeb. Clara M. Clark, b 1852, d ----, m 1872.

FDDCBdec. Mary Eliza Clark, b 1854, m 1873.

FDDCBded. Rosalind Clark, b 1857, m 1879.

FDDCBdeE. Frank B. Clark, b ----.

FDDCBdef. Anna Nancy Clark, b ----.

FDDCBdF. Rufus Waterman, b 1832, d 1891, Winona, MN, m 1864, Selina Harmon, b 1842; 4 CH:

FDDCBdFa. Anna Louisa Waterman, b 1865.

FDDCBdFb. Hattie Clara Waterman, b 1867.

FDDCBdFC. John Harmon Waterman, b 1868.

FDDCBdFD. Henry William Waterman, b 1870.

FDDCBdg. Elvira Waterman, b 1837.

FDDCBdH. George Asa Waterman, b 1840.

FDDCBe. Betsy Bentley, b 11.28.1803, Westford, Otsego Co., NY (Be397.). Betsy was b 4.28.1803 (Be400., Be401.). Betsy d 1876 (Be400.). Betsy m 1825, Westford, NY, Aaron Pettie, b 3.19.1793, NJ, d 3.27.1873, Blooming Prairie, MN (Be400., Be—.).

According to Ruth (Babington) Schmidt, Cyrenius B. Pettie wrote the following "Biographical Sketch," in Bloomington Prairie, MN. The sketch was later added to a copy of Russel T. Bentley's "Record of the Bentley Family" sent by Russel to Cyrenius.

Cyrenius Bentley Pettie **(Be:FDDCBeE.)** wrote:

> Aaron Pettie was born in the state of New Jersey, March 19, 1797; died at Blooming Prairie, Minnesota, March 27, 1873. When quite young his parents moved to New York State and settled in Cherry Valley, Otsego County. He was married at the age of 32 to Miss Betsey Bentley, daughter of Rufus Bentley of Westford, N. Y., by Rev. Elijah Spafford. The newly married couple commenced life in the wild woods of the south part of Westford, with their hands and good will, in a log cabin 12 x 16. They raised a family of seven sons and two daughters. Aaron spent his summers clearing the farm and his winters teaching school. For nearly 40 years he held the office of Justice of the Peace and of the many cases appealed to a higher court but one only was changed from his decision, by the Supreme Court of New York.
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> Time passed on; the farm of 50 acres was too small for so large a family. Four sons and one daughter had gone west and settled in Minnesota. The mother came west for her health. Close upon this the Rebellion breaks out. Two of his sons enlist in New York, his family is gone. He sells the farm and moves to Minnesota. Before he reaches the west, the four boys had enlisted and gone to the front. This sketch would be incomplete without a short war record of the family: Aaron's father Andrew Pettie was in the Revolutionary War. Aaron Pettie was in the War of 1812.
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> The eldest son Andrew Jackson Pettie **(Be:FDDCBeA.)**, enlisted in Co. C, 1st Minnesota Heavy Artillery, 9.26.1864, discharged 6.20.1865.
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> George Clinton Pettie **(Be:FDDCBeB.)** enlisted in Co. A, 10th Minnesota Infantry, 8.12.1862, d in hospital in Jeffersonville, IN, 1.19.1865.
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> Cyrenius Bentley Pettie **(Be:FDDCBeE.)** enlisted in Co. H, 10th Minnesota Infantry, 8.12.1862; (he was) discharged for disability 6.13.1865.
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> David T. Pettie **(Be:FDDCBeF.)** enlisted in Co. Y, 3rd Minnesota Infantry, 10.31.1861, and re-enlisted 12.20.1863. He was mustered out 9.2.1865.

Rufus B. Pettie **(Be:FDDCBeG.)** enlisted in 51st New York Infantry, 9.25.1861. Wounded in the head at the Battle of New Bern, NC, 3.14.1862, Rufus d from the effects of this wound at Fredericksburg, VA, 11.22.1862.

Harrison Pettie **(Be:FDDCBeH.)** enlisted in Co. H, 76th New York Infantry, 10.1.1861. He was discharged for disability 9.20.1863.

Irvin C. Pettie **(Be:FDDCBeI.)**, the youngest son of Aaron Pettie and wife Betsey Bentley **(Be:FDDCBe.)**, was rejected for deafness 10.1.1861.

The nine CH of Aaron and Betsy (Bentley) Pettie were: (A) Andrew, (B) George, (c) Margaret Ann, (d) Laura, (E) Cyrenius, (F) David, (G) Rufus, (H) William Henry **Harrison** Pettie, and (I) Irvin(g), C. Pettie; their DESC:

FDDCBeA. Andrew Jackson Pettie, b 1826, d 1889, m 1856, Rua Kaple, b 1837, d 1869; 4 CH (Be400.): (a) Dora, (b) Ida Jane, (c) Carrie, and (d) Cora T. Pettie; DESC:

FDDCBeAa. Dora D. Pettie, b 1858, m 1883, George Reynolds, b 1850; res was Blooming Prairie, MN (Be400.); 2 CH:

FDDCBeAaa. Winnie A. Reynolds, b 1884 (Be400., Be401.).

FDDCBeAab. Irene Jeanette Reynolds, b 1888 (Be400., Be401.).

FDDCBeAb. Ida Jane Pettie, b 1862, m 1884, Eugene Fuller; res was Blooming Prairie, MN (Be400.); 2 CH:

FDDCBeAba. Sarah Fuller, b 1886.

FDDCBeAbb. Hazel E. Fuller, b 1890.

FDDCBeAc. Carrie Esther Pettie, b 1865, m 1885, William Race; res was Blooming Prairie, MN; one CH:

FDDCBeAca. Rua Levina Race, b 1886 (Be400.).

FDDCBeAd. Cora T. Pettie, b 1868 (Be400.).

FDDCBeB. George Clinton Pettie, b 1828 (Be400., Be401.). Representing the 15th District, he was a member of Minnesota's first Legislature in 1857 (territory) (Be—). In 1858, Minnesota became the 32nd state to be admitted to the Union. He enlisted in Co. A of the 10th Minnesota Infantry on August 12, 1862; he was discharged for disability on June 13, 1865 (Be400.) (Be—). He died January 19, 1865, Jeffersonville, IN. George C. Pettie m Augusta (------); their 3 CH: (A) George Clinton Pettie, Jr., (B) Willis Pettie, and (c) Viola Pettie; DESC:

FDDCBeBA. George Clinton Pettie, Jr. (Be401.).

FDDCBeBB. Willis Pettie (Be401.).

Ruth (Babington) Schmidt wrote, "One of these boys left an orphaned family of **5 girls** and **2 boys** of whom Sid Pettie of Owatonna, MN, was the baby." The **identification** is still an "either-or" situation.

FDDCBeB?a. (dtr 1) Pettie. A sister of Sidney R. Pettie **(Be:FDDCBeB?G.)** living in Plentywood, Sheridan Co., MT (NE corner of MT), in 1913, when Sid spent the summer with her (her spouse's name?).

FDDCBeB?b. (dtr 2) Pettie, one of the five unidentified sisters of Sidney R. Pettie.

FDDCBeB?c. (dtr 3) Pettie.

FDDCBeB?d. (dtr 4) Pettie.

FDDCBeB?e. (dtr 5) Pettie.

FDDCBeB?F. Archie T. Jardine or (child 6) Pettie. Archie was an orphan adopted by the Jardine family. He lived in Ambrose, Divide Co., ND (NW corner of ND), where he was a member of the baseball team in 1913. He knew that he had a sister living in Plentywood, Sheridan Co., MT, in 1913. When, during the summer of 1913, the Ambrose baseball team played against the Plentywood team, he not only visited his sister there but very surprisingly met for the first (and last) time his brother Sid who was on the opposing team. Unfortunately Archie T. Jardine was killed in action in France during World War I, according to a telegram received by his brother Sid from Archie's foster parents.

FDDCBeB?G. Sidney R. Pettie, b 1897 (ca), was only seven weeks old when his mother died. He was reared by his aunt, Mrs. George W. (Viola Esther Pettie) McCrady **(Be:FDDCBeBc.)**, and uncle in Owatonna, MN. As a 16-year old youngster, he played baseball in the summer of 1913 in Plentywood, MT, where he was visiting his sister; after the game with Ambrose, he was pleasantly surprised to learn that one of the Ambrose players was his long lost brother! Sid joined the army in 1917 and fought in France where he was wounded in action.

Sidney R. Pettie **(Be:FDDCBeB?G.)** was the subject of an Owatonna, MN, newspaper article in **The Daily People's Press**, November 11, 1966, Veterans Day.

> **Veterans Day** has more than a passing meaning to Sidney R. Pettie, 69, an Owatonna resident for 20 years before leaving for War I service with Company I in 1917, and a war veteran who has returned 'home' to Owatonna 49 years later.
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> Life has been stranger than fiction for Sid, and the ball has taken some cruel bounces for the one-time athlete who became a disabled veteran in that first world war. Killed in action were his brother, whom he had met but once, and one of his three sons; while another became totally disabled.

Pettie took to writing while passing idle hours in hospitals, and most of it has been devoted to the humorous side of army and hospital life. It has had its pleasant compensations.

He makes no claim as being a poet laureate, but his 'Unknown Soldier' which appears in **The Press** this morning is not only timely reading on this Veterans Day, but has a message and an appeal on any day of the year (reprinted below).

But let's go back to the beginning.

Sid was seven weeks of age when his mother died, and he came to Owatonna to live with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. George McCrady, Mineral Springs Rd. As Pettie puts it now, he 'was in the infant-try when he came to Owatonna, and in the infantry when he left.'

His family consisted of his father, five sisters and a brother, who migrated to North Dakota, following death of his mother. Contacts dimmed, and Mrs. McCrady could fill him in but little as to names and whereabouts of the others.

It was in 1913 that a letter came from an older sister to his aunt, inquiring about the baby that had been left with her. Pettie, then 16, left to spend the summer with her in Plentywood, Montana.

He became a member of the local baseball team and during the summer it hosted a club from Ambrose, North Dakota. A member of the Ambrose team was a lad named Archie Jardine, who had learned that he had a sister living in Plentywood, but did not know her name.

Jardine and other members of the Ambrose team accompanied Pettie to the home of his sister, and it was here that they learned for a first time that they were brothers. Jardine, legally adopted at an early age, had taken the name of his foster parents.

The brothers, meeting for a first time and quite by accident, were never to meet again.

World War I was around the corner and Pettie, who returned to Owatonna at the end of the summer, was a member of the Co. I unit which was mustered into service. Col. William T. Mollison was the commanding officer, Minot J. Brown was his adjutant, and Harold S. Nelson was a company officer.

Pettie, who was wounded in action, returned to Owatonna for but one week after service termination. While here he received the telegram from the foster parents of his brother that Archie T. Jardine had been killed in action in France. Neither knew the other was in service.

From **Owatonna** Pettie moved to **Council Bluffs, Iowa,** where he married and he and Mrs. Pettie raised three boys. Two of them joined the Armed Services the week following Pearl Harbor, one in the

Air Force and the other in the Navy; leaving only one son, then 10, at home.

The one in the Navy lost his life on Leyte; the one in the Air Force was totally disabled in the European theater of operations.

'Who says Sherman wasn't right?' Sid questioned here Thursday morning. 'I'm sure we all agree, wars are hell.'

Having spent months in base hospitals in service and seven years in VA and private hospitals since War I days, Pettie took to writing, 'not only to pass away many idle hours but in an endeavor to put a smile on the faces of my more unfortunate comrades who have had little or nothing to smile for or about.'

While army and hospital life comedy was his field, 'The Unknown Soldier' is an exception to the general pattern.

'I'm an amateur and make no claim as a poet laureate,' the congenial Sid Pettie commented here. 'My one desire is to make all Americans more conscious of the debt that we, as Americans, owe to those who have fought and died; and to those who are now fighting in Viet Nam and serving in other foreign lands to preserve the freedom of our people and the safety of our nation in its time of peril.'

LEST WE FORGET—UNKNOWN SOLDIER

Oh Unknown Soldier as before your tomb we stand,
We give you homage, the greatest of our land.
And as these purest flowers upon your bier we place,
Behold the tears on every face.

Why do they weep, Oh unknown one,
Why do they mourn oh wondrous son.
Is it because in death you lie,
And cannot to our words reply.

Or is it that our arms do ache
To press you to our heart and make
It stop its longing
For your presence and home coming.

If not these things which every mortal feels,
Though now before you all mankind kneels.
What is the reason for all this grief,
Though since your death time is so brief.

Why all this honor you now receive,
Even from those whom war did not bereave.
Much greater by far than king, or man of state,
Did ere receive in time before, or years of late.

Be:

What deed so great by you was done,
What greater battle by you was won,
Is it because in all things you led
On account of being lowly born, or highly bred.

No, unknown soldier, for no such empty honors did you die,
But for a cause judged by the one most high,
To show humanity from night till morn,
That none are better born.

You teach us, if we know what in life we do and think,
All men equal, even to deaths brink.
Our thoughts and deeds are only covers of the living crowd,
Which, when death appears, we replace with the shroud.

In all your grandeur as you lay,
We should not think what in your day
You did to earn your livelihood,
Or if you dwelt in plain or wood.

Why care we if you are Protestant, or Catholic too
Or perhaps you are a Jew,
We must but know that you gave on demand,
The supreme sacrifice of your land.

We surely know the mother dear,
As she does kneel before your bier,
Gets comfort that you are the son,
That came not back when war was done.

Rest on, Oh! soldier unknown to all,
Until God makes the Heavenly call
That all in Judgment before Him pass,
Regardless of deeds or creeds or class.

—Sid Pettie
Owatonna, Minnesota

After World War I, Sidney R. Pettie moved to Council Bluffs, IA, where he was married (name of spouse?). He and his wife reared three sons:

FDDCBeB?GA. Vernon Pettie, joined the U. S. Navy within a week after Pearl Harbor was attacked without warning by the Japanese Air Force on Sunday morning, December 7, 1941.

The island of Leyte is one of the Visayan Islands in the eastern Phillipines. In World War II, Leyte was occupied by the Japanese, 1942, but was the scene of continual opposition by guerrilla forces. It was invaded 10.20.1944, by the Americans, who defeated the Japanese fleet 10.21 to 26 in Leyte Gulf and completely conquered the island by 12.1944, after severe fighting around

Ormoc. Leyte Gulf, east of Leyte, was entered 10.19.1944, by the American invasion fleet under Gen. MacArthur. The fleet protected the landings on the eastern shore of Leyte. Leyte Gulf was the scene of the major air-sea battle, in which the Japanese were decisively defeated, 10.25—26.1944. At Leyte, Vernon Pettie of the U. S. Navy lost his life.

FDDCBeB?GB. Daniel Gordon Pettie joined the Air Force within a week after the attack on Pearl Harbor. He was totally disabled during the Battle of the Bulge, which was fought during December 1944 and January 1945, in eastern Belgium. His body was laid to rest at Fort Snelling, a military post in Minnesota located between the Minnesota and Mississippi Rivers, south of Minneapolis.

FDDCBeB?GC. Sidney J. Pettie, b Council Bluffs, IA; m (name of spouse?); res (1967): 11001 River Rd., Algiers, LA (near New Orleans). The names of his six children are unknown (Be401.). Relevant queries:

1. Who are S.J.P.'s mother, grandparents, wife, children and their spouses, and other descendants?
2. How may the identification be made for his paternal grandfather?
3. Can any of his sons be located in the New Orleans area now?

FDDCBeBc. Viola Esther Pettie, b 1856, d 1928, m 1874, George W. McCrady, Peter's son, fifth CH of 14,[1] b 1851, Fond du Lac, WI, d 1939. They moved from their farm home in Aurora, MN, in 1894, to Owatonna, MN (Be401.). An obituary in an Owatonna newspaper (1928) revealed the following.

> Pioneer Resident Dies on Saturday — Mrs. McCrady, Daughter of County's First Member of Legislature, Succombs to Heart Disease.
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> Funeral services were held at the Associated church Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock for Mrs. George W. McCrady, 72, pioneer settler of Steele county who died at her home on Mineral Springs

[1]The father-in-law of Viola Esther Pettie (**Be:FDDCBeBc.**) and the father of her husband George W. McCrady was Peter McCrady. According to Archie R. McCrady, 1.31.1953, Office of Naval Research, 1030 E. Green Street, Pasadena, CA (Archie, **Be:FDDCBeBcJ.**), in the third edition of his typewritten manuscript entitled "The Descendants of Peter McCrady," the following is given."Peter McCrady was born at Lanark, Scotland on March 16, 1808, his parents being Protestant natives of Ireland, presumably of Scotch-Irish descent. In 1825, he enlisted at Glasgow as a private in the 79th Regiment of Foot, joining the regiment at Kilkenny, Ireland. Embarked for Canada in 1825, and quit the army October 24, 1828, at Montreal, coming to New York State, where he engaged in farming in Clinton and St. Lawrence Counties. Married Margaret Nielson, 1810(?)-1836, a native of Glasgow, who died in 1836. Married Delilah Blowers, 1820-1854, a native of Montgomery County, New York, about 1843 and came to McHenry County, Illinois, where Margaret was born. About 1845 he moved to Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, where Charles, George, James and Agnes were born. Delilah died in 1854, and Peter then married Ellen Shea Leahy, 1824-1901. Seven children were born of this marriage, all except Helen in Wisconsin, and in 1866 the family moved to Steele County, Minnesota, where Peter lived up to the time of his death in 1894. His name appears in the records of the British War Office as 'McCready or McCreadie' but he apparently changed the spelling about the time he came to the United States, and all his descendants use the name 'McCrady'."

avenue at 9:40 a. m. Sunday. Rev. Frank E. Davis had charge of the services, interment was made in the Forest Hill cemetery.

Viola Esther Pettie was born in New York state in 1856, the daughter of George C. and Augusta Pettie. She came to Steele county in 1858 with her mother, joining Mr. Pettie, who had preceded them to their new home in Aurora township. Her father was a member of the first state legislature in 1858 and served in the Tenth Minnesota Volunteer Infantry during the Civil war. He died in 1865 from disease resulting from his service in the army. When Miss Pettie was 18 she married George W. McCrady and 11 children were born to them, nine of whom survive. They are Willis of Crookston, Charles of Minneapolis, Roy of Fargo, N.D., Harry A., and Chester A., Mrs. Frank Cruikshank and Mrs. F. L. Vance of this city, Archie R. of Chicago and Mrs. Charles Cowles, Sturgeon Valley, Saskatchewan, Canada. A foster child, Sidney R. Pettie of Council Bluffs, Iowa, also survives. There are 30 grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Mrs. McCrady was a member of the Presbyterian church for many years and an active member of its ladies aid and missionary societies. She was also a member of the local chapter of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War and was a former chief of the W.C.T.U. of this city. In later years Mrs. McCrady devoted a large part of her time to nursing work. She had been confined to her bed for nine weeks with heart trouble, which caused her death. . . (Be401.).

In an obituary of an undated newspaper clipping (1938) from Owatonna, MN, this information appeared (Be401.).

Funeral services were held Sunday for George W. McCrady, 87, a Steele county pioneer and for many years a rural mail carrier serving a route out of Owatonna.

He died at the Owatonna City Hospital as the result of injuries received in a fall from the steps of his home on Mineral Springs Ave. He received six broken ribs and numerous bruises. Burial was made in the Forest Hill Cemetery.

Born in Fond du Lac, Wis., Aug. 3, 1851, Mr. McCrady was brought to Illinois and then Wisconsin by his parents as a boy. They came to Steele county in 1866 and Mr. McCrady had made his home in the county since, residing at the McCrady homestead in Aurora township, where he attended the rural schools and then engaged in farming, a vocation he left to enter the mail service. He had married Miss Viola Pettie while still operating a farm.

Mr. McCrady first carried the star route from Owatonna to the old Berlin postoffice, long since discontinued, and with the advent of rural free delivery became a rural letter carrier. He was retired in 1925.

Surviving are four sons, Harry and Chester of Owatonna, Willis of Plummer and Archie of South Bend, Ind., and three daughters,

Mrs. Bertha Cruikshank of this city, Mrs. Mabel Vance of Kenyon and Mrs. Charles Cowles of Sturgeon Valley, Sask., Canada.

Viola Esther Pettie **(Be:FDDCBeBc.)** and husband George W. McCrady had eleven CH (Be401.): (A) Willis, (B) Charles, (c) Bertha, (D) Roy, (e) Mabel, (F) George, (g) Minnie, (h) Augusta, (I) Harry, (J) Archie, and (K) Chester McCrady.

FDDCBeBcA. Willis McCrady, b 2.6.1875, d 1942, m 1907, Josephine Karlstad Olson, b 1879; res (1928): Crookston, MN; res (1938): Plummer, MN; 2 CH: Willard and Harold McCrady; DESC:

FDDCBeBcAA. Willard McCrady, b 1909, m Iva Catherine; res (was): 1532 E. Superior St., Duluth, MN (55812); 2 CH:

FDDCBeBcAAa. Mary Jo McCrady, b 1938.

FDDCBeBcAAB. Willard McCrady, b 1940.

FDDCBeBcAB. Harold McCrady, b 1910, m Kittie King, b 1912; 2 CH:

FDDCBeBcABA. Christopher McCrady, b 1940.

FDDCBeBcABB. Patrick McCrady, b 1945.

FDDCBeBcB. Charles McCrady, b 1876, d 1936, m 1901, Grace Kilbourn; res (1928): Minneapolis, MN; 3 CH: Donald, Vera, and Vernon; DESC:

FDDCBeBcBA. Donald McCrady, b 1902, m 1926, Evelyn Bagge, b 1907; 4 CH:

FDDCBeBcBAa. Verienne McCrady, b 1929, m 1948, James Skaggs; 1 CH:

FDDCBeBcBAaA. (anon.) Skaggs, b 1952.

FDDCBeBcBAB. Richard McCrady, b 1932, m 1952, Estella Shields.

FDDCBeBcBAc. Beverly McCrady, b 1935.

FDDCBeBcBAD. James McCrady, b 1946.

FDDCBeBcBb. Vera Charlene McCrady, b 1908, m 1934, Bert Hensel; 1 CH:

FDDCBeBcBba. Grace Hensel, b 1936.

FDDCBeBcBC. Vernon McCrady, Minneapolis alderman, b 1910,. m 1930, Ilse Zander, b 1910; res (was): 2856 Johnson St. NE, Mpls. MN; 3 CH:

FDDCBeBcBCA. Marlowe McCrady, b 1932, m 1951, Marilyn Johnson; res (1975): 611 NW 84th Lane, Coon Rapids, MN.

FDDCBeBcBCb. Marlene McCrady, b 1934, m and div. (----) Kachina (note added to Be406.).

FDDCBeBcBCc. Joan McCrady, b 1936, m 1955, (---) Johnson.

FDDCBeBcc. Bertha McCrady, b 1877, d 1958, m 1903, Frank Cruikshank, b 1877, either d 1930 (Be406.) or d 1931 (Be401.); res (1928): Owatonna, MN; 5 CH:

FDDCBeBccA. Kenneth Cruikshank, b 1907, m 1944, Ruth Mahlmann, b 1915; res was 416 S. Cedar, Owatonna, MN; no CH.

FDDCBeBccB. Donald Cruikshank, b 1909, m 1934, Ruth Jones, b 1903; no CH.

FDDCBeBccC. Harry Cruikshank, b 1910, m 1950, Dorothy Maltzahn, b 1916; no CH.

FDDCBeBccD. Gordon Clair Cruikshank, electrical contractor, U.S. Army Air Force veteran of World War II, b 3.12.1917, m 1944, Charlotte, NC, Janette Louise Carter, dtr of James, b 9.19.1923, NC. Janette has been employed from 1969-1979 in a bank. Gordon and this searcher, his sixth-cousin, had an early-morning telephone-conversation (213-340-0128) on 10.26.1978. Their res (1978-1979) has been 7107 Hatillo Ave., Canoga Park, CA (91306). They have two CH:

FDDCBeBccDA. Michael Kenneth Cruikshank, b 7.31.1947, CA, employed (1979) as a biochemist at the Univ. of California at Davis, m 4.3.1976, CA, Linda Constance Coons, b 6.4.1954, CA, who is studying for a master's degree (1979). Their res (1979): 6451—20th Street, Rio Linda, CA (95673).

FDDCBeBccDB. Robert Cruikshank, b 6.2.1949, CA; res (1979): San Diego, CA, where he is an employee of Sears, Roebuck and Co. He is also an owner of condominiums.

FDDCBeBcce. Audrey Cruikshank, b 1921, m 1941, Clyde Seiver; res (1975): 1208 5th Ave. NW, Austin, MN (55912); 2 CH:

FDDCBeBcceA. Gordon Seiver, b 1942, m 1974, Kayla Mae Klassy.

FDDCBeBcceb. Barbara Seiver, b 1946.

FDDCBeBcD. Roy McCrady, b 1879, d 1938, m 1903, Eva Hitchcock, b 1885; res (1928): Fargo, ND; 10 CH: (a) Viola, (B) Walter, (c) Gertrude, (d) Maxine, (e) Marguerite, (f) Delia Vera, (G) anon. son, (H) Everette, (I) Floyd, and (j) Lucille McCrady.

FDDCBeBcDa. Viola McCrady, b 1905, d 1938, m 1923, Walter Hotschenbacher, b 1903; 8 CH:

FDDCBeBcDaa. Dorothy Hotschenbacher, b 1924, m 1944, Joseph Soland; 4 CH:

FDDCBeBcDaaa. Janet Soland, b 1946.

FDDCBeBcDaaB. Philip Soland, b 1947.

FDDCBeBcDaaC. Loren Soland, b 1949.

FDDCBeBcDaad. Joan Soland, b 1951.

FDDCBeBcDaB. Lawrence Hotschenbacher, b 1925, d 1949.

FDDCBeBcDaC. Leroy Hotschenbacher, b 1927, m 1950 Betty Gulsvig.

FDDCBeBcDad. Maxine Hotschenbacher, b 1929, m 1950, Ed Schmidt.

FDDCBeBcDaE. Charles Hotschenbacher, b and d 1930.

FDDCBeBcDaf. Marjorie Hotschenbacher, b 1933.

FDDCBeBcDaG. James Hotschenbacher, b 1935.

FDDCBeBcDaH. Duane Hotschenbacher, b 1937.

FDDCBeBcDB. Walter McCrady, b 1908, m **first** 1938, Gladys Sorenson; 1 CH:

FDDCBeBcDBA. Robert McCrady, b 1939.

Walter m **secondly** Leone Stamness, no CH.

FDDCBeBcDc. Gertrude McCrady, b 1910, m 1930, James Leegaard, b 1908; 4 CH:

FDDCBeBcDcA. Dale Leegaard, b 1931.

FDDCBeBcDcb. Marilyn Leegaard, b 1935.

FDDCBeBcDcc. Alice Leegaarad, b 1939.

FDDCBeBcDcd. Cheryl Leegaard, b 1944.

FDDCBeBcDd. Maxine McCrady, b 1912, m 1940, Wilton Henning, b 1914.

FDDCBeBcDe. Marguerite McCrady, b 1914, m Charles Flanagan, b 1910; 2 CH:

FDDCBeBcDeA. Charles Flanagan, b 1933.

FDDCBeBcDeb. Sharon Flanagan, b 1940.

FDDCBeBcDf. Delia Vera McCrady, b 1916, m **first** 1932, Dominic Wakefield; 1 CH:

FDDCBeBcDfa. Elizabeth Wakefield, b 1933, m 1950, Paul Schreiber.

Delia m **secondly** 1947, Claude Callway.

FDDCBeBcDG. (anon. son) McCrady, b and d 1917.

FDDCBeBcDH. Everette McCrady, b 1918, m **first** 1944, Vera Smith, b 1921; m **secondly** 1951, Marie Wahlstrom.

FDDCBeBcDI. Floyd McCrady, b 1920, m 1945, Katherine Johns, b 1926; 3 CH:

FDDCBeBcDIA. David Roy McCrady, b 1947.

FDDCBeBcDIB. Daniel Keith McCrady, b 1948.

FDDCBeBcDIC. Timothy Earl McCrady, b 1951.

FDDCBeBcDj. Lucille McCrady, b 1921, m 1948, Al Edwards (Be406.); 1 CH:

FDDCBeBcDja. Linda Joy Edwards, b 1949.

FDDCBeBce. Mabel McCrady, b 1881, res (1928): Owatonna, MN; res (1938): Kenyon, MN; d 9.16.1951, Newcastle, WY, bur Forest Hill Cem., Owatonna, MN, m 1908, Frank Vance, b 1854, d 1926 (Be406.); 2 CH (Be401.):

FDDCBeBcea. Dorothy Vance, b 1917, m 1946, Dr. Marcus (Mark) LaDue, dentist, res (1951); St. Paul, MN; res (1978): 9269 Shirley Court, La Mesa, CA.

FDDCBeBceaA. Marcus LaDue, b 1947, twin.

FDDCBeBceab. Marcia LaDue, b 1947, twin.

FDDCBeBceaC. Stephen LaDue, dentist, b 1948; res (1978): La Mesa, CA.

FDDCBeBceaD. Byron LaDue, b 1951.

FDDCBeBceb. Marjorie Vance, b 1920, d 1926.

FDDCBeBcF. George McCrady, b 1882, d 1910, m 1903, Nelie Hortop, b 1885; 3 CH:

FDDCBeBcFa. Myrtle McCrady, b 1906, d 1910.

FDDCBeBcFB. Lester McCrady, b 1908, d 1913.

FDDCBeBcFC. George McCrady, b 1910, m 1935, Ann Daly, b 1908; no CH.

FDDCBeBcg. Minnie McCrady, b 1884, d 1907.

FDDCBeBch. Augusta McCrady, b 1886, m 1910, Charles Cowles, b 1883; res (1938): Sturgeon Valley, SK; res (1965): White Rock, BC; 2 CH:

FDDCBeBcha. Helen Cowles, b 1914, m 1930, Victor Lecog, b 1907, d 1947; 3 CH:

FDDCBeBchaa. Vivian Lecog, b 1931, m 1951, Jack McMillan, b 1931, 1 CH:

FDDCBeBchaaA. Randall McMillan, b 1952.

FDDCBeBchab. Constance Joan Lecog. b 1936.

FDDCBeBchac. Dianne Lecog, b 1939.

FDDCBeBchb. Eileen Cowles, b 1922, Spokane, WA, m 1938, Chester Quorn, b 1915; 2 CH:

FDDCBeBchba. Kerry Quorn, b 1939.

FDDCBeBchbb. Carol Quorn, b 1944.

FDDCBeBcI. Harry McCrady, b 1888, d 1958, m 1914, Laura Sette, b 1896; res (1928 and 1938): Owatonna, MN; 2 CH: Malcolm and Norbert.

FDDCBeBcIA. Malcolm McCrady, b 1917, m 1935, Audrie Kuehn, b 1919; res (1975): Skyline Gardens, Owatonna, MN (55060); 1 CH:

FDDCBeBcIAA. Dennis McCrady, b 1936, d 1937.

FDDCBeBcIB. Norbert McCrady, b 1923, m 1948, Natalie Stucky, b 1925; res (1975): 14809 McGinty Rd., Wayzata, MN (55391). Norbert is said to have many family mementos. Their 5 CH:

FDDCBeBcIBA. Thomas L. McCrady, b 1949, m (----) (spouse's name?); res (1975): Blooming Prairie, MN; 1 CH:

FDDCBeBcIBAa. Jennifer McCrady, b 1969.

FDDCBeBcIBb. Mary McCrady, b 1950, m Clifford Kaltenbach; res (1975): Buffalo, MN (Box SA 21, R3, 55313).

FDDCBeBcIBC. John McCrady, b 1953; res (1975): 1235 Lake St., N. Mankato, MN.

FDDCBeBcIBD. Michael McCrady, b 1957.

FDDCBeBcIBe. Elizabeth Ann McCrady.

FDDCBeBcJ. Archie R. McCrady, b —. —.1890, d 3.18.1968, Altadena, CA. Archie prepared a typewritten genealogical-manuscript, including the names and dates (years only) for births, marriages, and deaths, entitled "The Descendants of Peter McCrady," 1.31.1953, Altadena, CA (Be406.).

According to an article published in an Owatonna, MN, newspaper (undated), a book on patent laws entitled **Patent Office Practice** by author Archie R. McCrady was donated to the Owatonna Public Library. The following is extracted from the article reproduced in **As The Twig Is Bent** (Be401.).

> Mr. McCrady went to the Owatonna public schools and was graduated from the Owatonna High School in the Class of 1907. After graduation he was an employee in the Railway Mail Service, held that position from 1910 to 1918. He discontinued his work and attended the University of Minnesota, graduating with the Class of 1923. He studied law in Washington, DC, and was admitted to the Bar of the District of Columbia in January, 1927.
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> He spent two years in Washington and one year in Chicago. At the present time (?), he has employment as patent attorney for the Western Electric Co., at Cicero, IL.

Archie m **first** 1925, Gladys Burnette, b 1898; 2 CH:

FDDCBeBcJa. Mary Ellin McCrady, b 1926, res (1978): Ann Arbor, MI.

FDDCBeBcJb. Carol McCrady, b 1928, Chicago, IL (?), m 1950, Gerald Rees; res (1978): 521 Scio Church Rd., Ann Arbor, MI (48103); 3 CH:

FDDCBeBcJbA. David Rees, b 1952.

FDDCBeBcJbB. James Rees.

FDDCBeBcJbC. Jonathon Rees.

Archie McCrady **(Be:FDDCBeBcJ.) m secondly** 1936, Grace Dekan, b 1911, res (1938): South Bend, IN; he m **thirdly** ----, Marion Allen, b 5.27.1921, Detroit, MI. Marion's res (1978) was 2285 N. Mar Vista, Altadena, CA (91001), where she lives with her mother.Marion supplied this searcher with a copy of Archie's ms. (Be406.).

FDDCBeBcK. Chester A. McCrady, b 12.24.1892, Owatonna, Steele Co., MN, d 4.16.1965, Rochester, MN, bur Forest Hill Cem., Owatonna, MN. Chester m 1914, Alberta Seidl, b 1895; their 3 CH: (a) Phyllis, (b) Melva, and (c) Verna McCrady.

According to an obituary notice appearing in the Owatonna newspaper in April of 1965 (reproduced in Be401.):

> Funeral services for Chester McCrady, 73, of the Shady Rest Trailer Court in Owatonna were held last Tuesday, April 19, at 2:00 p.m. in the Conley Funeral Chapel here with burial following in Forest Hill Cemetery.
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> Mr. McCrady died Saturday, April 16, in St. Mary's Hospital at Rochester. Born Dec. 24, 1892, in Owatonna, he was a life-long Owatonna resident, being employed by the postoffice for about 40 years before retiring 13 years ago. He was a past master of Star in the East Masonic Lodge No. 33, and Masonic services were held at the Chapel Monday night.
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> A noted sports enthusiast, he was an avid follower of the Minnesota Twins, seeing most of their home games in Bloomington, also boosted amateur baseball as a behind-the-scenes worker for the Owatonna Aces in the Southern Minnesota baseball league, attended Owatonna High School football games regularly and also backed the Vikings at the Met, and for several years coached the Owatonna DeMolay team in State Basketball tournaments. He once received a citation from the Owatonna Baseball Assoc. for his contributions to that organization.
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> Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Jack (Phyllis) Woolridge of Chappell, Nebr., Mrs. Clyde (Melva) Gundlach of Redlands, Calif., and Mrs. Arnold (Verna) Hensch of Coldwater, Mich., six grandchildren and two great grandchildren, one sister, Mrs. Charles Cowles of White Rock, British Columbia, Canada, and one brother, Archie of Altadena, Calif.

The classification of the descendants of Chester and Alberta (Seidl) McCrady follows.

FDDCBeBcKa. Phyllis Alberta McCrady, b 2.24.1915, Owatonna, MN, m 5.15.1936, John M. Woolridge, b 9.23.1907, d 2.28.1972; res (1975): 44 Countryside Ct., Kearney, NE (68847); 3 CH: (a) Phyllis Jean, (b) Mary Elizabeth, and (c) Nancy Woolridge; DESC:

FDDCBeBcKaa. Phyllis Jean Woolridge, b 7.13.1936, Owatonna, MN, m 8.9.1958, A. Jerry Still, Jr.; 2 CH:

FDDCBeBcKaaA. Allen John Still, b 6.16.1961.

FDDCBeBcKaaB. Andrew Kevin Still, b 9.17.1964.

FDDCBeBcKab. Mary Elizabeth Woolridge, b 10.30.1940, Kearney, NE, m 6.15.1963, Kiefer Mendenhall; 2 CH:

FDDCBeBcKaba. Allyson Clare Mendenhall, b 3.19.1968.

FDDCBeBcKabB. Preston Marshall Mendenhall, b 10.1969.

FDDCBeBcKac. Nancy Woolridge, b 4.29.1945, m 6.17.1967, William Charles Oltman; 2 CH:

FDDCBeBcKacA. Clay Woolridge Oltman, b 5.4.1973.

FDDCBeBcKacB. Mason Woolridge Oltman, b 9.4.1975.

FDDCBeBcKb. Melva McCrady, b 8.16.1916, m 8.11.1943, Clyde Gundlach, b 1912; res (1978): 1133 Chestnut, Redlands, CA; 1 CH:

FDDCBeBcKba. Susan Gundlach, b 8.25.1945; elementary school teacher. (1975).

FDDCBeBcKc. Verna McCrady, b 1918, m 1943, Arnold Hensch, b 1918; res (1975): 9 Cornwell Ct., Coldwater, MI; 2 CH:

FDDCBeBcKca. Janet Hensch, b 1946.

FDDCBeBcKcB. Rodney Hensch, b 1949.

FDDCBec. Margaret Ann Pettie, m 1866, Joseph Mayo, b 1825; res (was): Blooming Prairie, MN; 3 CH:

FDDCBeca. Laura Elvia Mayo, b 1868.

FDDCBecb. Mary Esther Mayo, b 1870.

FDDCBecc. Jennie Mayo, b 1873.

FDDCBed. Laura B. Pettie, b 1828, m Joseph Branning, b 1837; res (was): Cherry Valley, Otsego Co., NY. Please note that the "Cherry Valley Massacre" by Butler's Rangers and Indians occurred on 11.11.1778. Cherry Valley is located about 50 miles west of Albany.

FDDCBeE. Cyrenius Bentley Pettie, b 1834; served in the Union Army during the Civil War with Co. H, 10th Minnesota Infantry Regiment, from 8.12.1862, to 6.13.1865, date of his medical discharge. He m 1867, Frances Farrington, b 1846; res (was): Blooming Prairie, MN; 3 CH:

FDDCBeEa. Elenora Pettie, b 1870, d 1871.

FDDCBeEB. Eddie B. Pettie, b 1872.

FDDCBeEc. Lizzie May Pettie, b 1874.

FDDCBeF. David T. Pettie, b 1836, enlisted 10.31.1861, Co. Y, 3rd Minnesota Infantry Regiment, and re-enlisted 12.20.1863, serving until he was mustered out 9.2.1865.

FDDCBeG. Rufus B. Pettie, b 1839, m 5.28.1862, d 11.24.1862, from the effects of a wound at Fredericksburg, VA, while serving in the Civil War with the 51st New York Infantry Regiment. He enlisted 9.25.1861. He also received a head wound at the Battle of New Bern, NC, on 3.14.1862. New Bern was a fortified port of the Confederacy, captured by Gen. Burnside in 1862.

FDDCBeH. William Henry **Harrison** Pettie, b 1841, d 10.27.1896; enlisted 10.1.1861, Co. H of the 76th New York Infantry Regiment; discharge 9.20.1863, disability.

FDDCBeI. Irvin(g) C. Pettie, b 1844; was rejected for service during the Civil War on 10.1.1861, for deafness.

FDDCBF. Cyren(i)us Bentley, b 4.13.1806, Westford, Otsego Co., NY (Be397.); b 8.13.1806 (Be400., Be401.). "Cyrenus Bentley" d 2.17.1876, Worcester, Otsego Co., NY (Be397.). "Cyrenius" m 1833, Desire (Be400.); "Cyrenus" m 11.28.1832, Desire Bennett (Be397.). Desire was b 8.17.1812, Westford, Otsego Co., NY, d 3.16.1876, Worcester, Otsego Co., NY (Be397.); 4 CH: (A) Moses (Be400., Be397.), (b) Marion (Be400., Be397.), (c) Roxanna (Be400., **not** Be397.), (D) Eddie F. (Be397.) or Edmond F. (Be400.), (E) Ansel E. (Be397.) or Ansel T. (Be400.) Bentley. Their DESC:

FDDCBFA. Moses Delos Bentley, b 12.19.1834, Westford, Otsego Co., NY, d 8.16.1899, m 1.22.1867, Nancy Jane Mickle. This searcher has not accounted for all of their children; the existence of the first is hypothetical, William C. Bentley having been the only offspring identified. Only because of the three-year interval between the marriage and William's birth is William ranked second (B) in hypothetical birth-sequence.

FDDCBFA?. (unk.) Bentley (ident.? assumption).

FDDCBFAB. William Cyrenus Bentley, Railroad Worker, b 7.6.1870, Worcester, Otsego Co., NY, d 1.24.1935, Phoenix, Maricopa Co., AZ, bur Greenwood Cem., Phoenix; m 11.22.1900, Lisbon, New London Co., CT, Ida May Bushnell, Henry Partridge Bushnell's dtr, b 2.13.1881, Lisbon, New London Co., CT, d 2.13.1964, Phoenix, bur Greenwood Cem., Phoenix, AZ (Be397.); 9 CH (Be397.):

FDDCBFABA. William Leroy Bentley, b 9.1.1901, Jewett City, New London Co., CT, m **first** 2.22.1926, Florence Karlson. William m **secondly** 4.5.1931, Ada G. Wright.

FDDCBFABb. Leola Gertrude Bentley, b 12.25.1902, Jewett City, New London Co., CT, m 7.6.1922, Joseph Dye Ethington.

FDDCBFABc. Vernie May Bentley, b 4.22.1904, Webster, Worcester, Co., MA, m **first** 3.6.1922, John Clarence Richardson, Vernie m **secondly** 6.25.1927, Henry Emerson Nunn; res was Pine, AZ (85544).

FDDCBFABD. Harry Lawrence Bentley, b 2.17.1907, Shavertown, Delaware Co., NY, m **first** 10.10.1936, Mabel Wintz, and m **secondly** 6.24.1943, Mildred De Flora Kangas.

FDDCBFABe. Minnie Irene Bentley, b 11.28.1908, Lisbon, New London Co., CT, m 6.25.1927, William Watts Crozier.

FDDCBFABf. Elsie Louise Bentley, b 5.14.1911, Putnam, Windham Co., CT, d 1.23.1943, m **first** 3.4.1928, Robert Perry French, and m **secondly** 3.27.1943, Edward Oscar Coe. Elsie m **thirdly** 10.5.1948, Walter Raymond Greenland; their res was Pine, AZ (85544). Elsie possessed the family records (Be397.).

FDDCBFABG. Russell Webster Bentley, b 8.27.1912, Putnam, Windham Co., CT, d 10.30.1912.

FDDCBFABh. Bernice Ila Bentley, b 11.25.1913, Putnam, Windham, CT, m **first** 6.17.1935, Eugene Thomas Mott, and **secondly** 9.9.1950, Harry L. Newton.

FDDCBFABI. Harold Shelley Bentley, b 2.6.1923, Phoenix, Maricopa Co., AZ, m 2.21.1935, Cecelia B. Earley (Be397.).

FDDCBFb. Marion P. Bentley, b 10.27.1839, Westford, Otsego, NY, d 5.11.1912, m Horace P. Dunham (Be397.). Marion, b 1837 (Be401.) (?).

FDDCBFc. Roxanna Bentley (Be400., but **not** Be397.) (?), b 1839 (Be401., "1850 CR, named, home of Rufus").

FDDCBFD. Edmond T. (Be401.) or Eddie F. (Be397.) Bentley, b 1844, d 1909, m Amanda Griggs, b 1852, d 1921 (Be401.); Eddie, b 8.30.1844, Westford, Otsego Co., NY, d 10.24.1908, m 4.17.1878, Catherine Amanda Griggs (Be397.); 2 CH (Be400.): (A) L. G. Bentley and (b) Nellie C. Bentley; DESC (Be401.):

FDDCBFDA. L. G. Bentley, m Bertha Putman; no CH.

FDDCBFDb. Nellie C. Bentley, m Austin Evans; 7 CH:

FDDCBFDba. Lulu May Evans.

FDDCBFDbB. Leroy Aden Evans.

FDDCBFDbC. Edward Evans.

FDDCBFDbD. Howard Evans.

FDDCBFDbE. Burdette Evans.

FDDCBFDbf. Amanda Evans, m Olaf Knutsen (dec.); Amanda was living on the original homestead at Worcester, NY (1975); CH:

FDDCBFDbfA. Kenneth Knutsen, manager of Wilbur National Bank of Oneonta, Otsego Co., NY (Be401.) (1978).

In a letter to this searcher, Ruth (Babington) Schmidt **(Be:FDDCEDAdb.)** wrote:

In 1977, I visited New York state and found the graves of Thomas Sr. and Barbara (Vaughn) Bentley and many of his descendants. I visited the farms they settled . . . stayed with Cdr. Granville Bentley's family **(Be:FDDCGECBD.)** at Worcester in the heart of the old Bentley settlement . . . One of my cousins, Mrs. Amanda (Evans) Knutsen **(Be:FDDCBFDbf.)**, lives on the farm her great-great-grandfather Rufus Bentley **(Be:FDDCB.)** homesteaded in 1790. Rufus and his wife were buried in the fence line down along the back forty. Amanda took me down to see the marker for Rufus, oldest son of Thomas.

FDDCBFDbG. Oscar Evans.

FDDCBFE. Ansel E. (Be397.) or Ansel T. (Be400.) Bentley, b 7.25.1851, Westford, Otsego Co., NY; d 11.10.1913; m Chloe Viola Griggs (Be397.).

FDDCBg. Laura Bentley, dtr of Rufus (Be397., Be400., Be401.), b 2.9.1809, Westford, Otsego Co., NY, d 9.7.1838 (Be397.); b 2.9.1809, Westford, d 1873 (?) (Be400., Be401.); m Andrew Dunham; 2 CH (Be400., Be401.):

FDDCBga. Mabel Dunham, b 1832.

FDDCBgB. Ephraim Dunham, b 1834.

FDDCBH. George Thomas Bentley (Be397.) or George T. (Be400.), b 11.25.1815, Westford, Otsego Co., NY, d 8.30.1873 (Be397.); b 11.26.1815, d 8.29.1873, m 1838, Phoebe Wood (Be400., Be401.); CH:

FDDCBHA. George R. Bentley, b 11.26.1844, d 1.17.1859 (Be400., Be401.).

FDDCc. Mercy Bentley, dtr of Thomas, b 2.1.1778, Canaan, NY, d ----, m 1798, Rochester, NY, Samuel Wheeler (Be400.). Their 7 CH: (A) E. Bernhard, (B) Horatio Nelson, (C) Mansfield, (d) Mary Victory, (e) Rebecca, (f) Otilla, and (G) Bentley Wheeler; their DESC:

FDDCcA. E. Bernhard Wheeler, b 1799, Rochester, NY, m Hannah Burges; of their 6 unidentified CH, 2 sons and 2 dtrs were believed to have been living in 1891 (Be400.).

FDDCcAA. (anon.) Wheeler, b ca 1820 (hypothesis).

FDDCcB. Horatio Nelson Wheeler, b 1801, d 1831 (Be400.).

FDDCcC. Mansfield Wheeler, b 1806, m **first** Eleanor Vandusen, b 1809; m **secondly** Margaret Vandusen, b 1811. Presumably by his **first** wife, Mansfield was the father of these 8 CH (Be400.):

FDDCcCA. Ferdinand Wheeler.

FDDCcCb. Mary Lane Wheeler.

FDDCcCc. Amanda Wheeler.

FDDCcCD. Andrew Wheeler.

FDDCcCE. Bentley Wheeler, m 1866.

FDDCcCf. Hattie Wheeler.

FDDCcCg. Nellie Wheeler, m William Thurber.

FDDCcCH. Henry B. Wheeler.

FDDCcd. Mary Victory Wheeler, b 1808, d 1865, m 1831, Elihu Kirby, b 1801.

FDDCce. Rebecca Wheeler, b 1810, d 1865, m 1831, Henry Higinbotham, b 1800; res was Joliet, Will Co., IL. (Be400.). Their 7 CH (Be400.):

FDDCceA. Albert Higinbotham, b 1831, d 1887.

FDDCceb. Ambrozia Rebecca Higinbotham, b 1834, m Merritt Caywise; res was Lockport, IL. They had 5 unidentifiable CH (Be400.), one of whom is classified:

FDDCceb?. (anon.) Caywise.

FDDCcec. Ann Eliza Higinbotham, b 1836, m Moses Denmond; 6 unidentified CH, 4 dtrs and 2 sons (Be400.); two class.:

FDDCceca. (anon.) Denmond.

FDDCcecB. (anon.) Denmond.

FDDCceD. Harlow Nelson Higinbotham, b 1838, m 12.--.1865, Rachael Davidson. He was an employee of Marshall Field and Co.

FDDCcee. Gertrude Higinbotham, b 1841.

FDDCcef. Marietta Higinbotham.

FDDCceG. Charles Samuel Higinbotham.

FDDCcf. Otilla Wheeler, b 1812, d 5.1.1896, m 1831, Maple Valley, Otsego Co., NY, Dennison Green, b 1807, d 1896; res was Plainfield, IL; 5 CH: (A) Judson, (b) Lovi, (c) Emma, (d) Josephine, and (E) Bentley **Wheeler** Green (Be400.).

FDDCcfA. Judson Green (Be400., Be401.), b 1834, d 1888, m Josephine Halsey; res was Plainfield, Will Co., IL (Be400.); 3 CH:

FDDCcfAa. Belle Green, m J. N. Green; res was Chicago, IL (Be401.).

FDDCcfAb. (----) Green, m H. M. Snapp; res was Joliet, IL (Be401.).

FDDCcfAc. (----) Green, m (-----) George; res was Plainfield, IL (Be401.).

FDDCcfb. Lovi A. Green, b 1837, m **first** 1854, Benjamin Hyland and m **secondly** 1854, Edmund Reiley. By her **first** m, she had one son and two dtrs (Be400.) (?).

FDDCcfc. Emma Sophia Green, b 1840; m **first** 1859, Oscar Hoag; m **secondly** 1874, George Wride. Emma had one son and two dtrs (Be401.).

FDDCcfd. Josephine Green, b ----, m 1864, A. K. Hyland; CH:

FDDCcfda. Gertrude Hyland (Be401.).

FDDCcfE. Bentley **Wheeler** Green, b 1854, Plainfield, IL, d 10.22.1927, m 1875, Ida May Colgrove; 4 CH (Be401.): (a) Verna, (b) Eslie, (c) Dell, and (D) Dennison Green; DESC:

FDDCcfEa. Verna Green, b 1879, Plainfield, IL, d 1962, m 1900, William C. Herath; 2 CH: (a) Clara and (b) Elda Herath; DESC (Be401.):

FDDCcfEaa. Clara M. Herath, b 1901; res (1975): 912 E. Benton, Aurora, IL. Clara m 1925, Forrest J. Linn (d); CH:

FDDCcfEaaA. Robert Linn, b 1933.

FDDCcfEab. Elda R. Herath, b 1906; res (1975): 706 Commercial, Plainfield, IL. Ruth B. Schmidt interviewed her and viewed her records (Be401.). Elda was m 1928 to George G. Fisher (d); their 2 CH: (a) Patricia and (B) Richard Fisher; DESC:

FDDCcfEaba. Patricia Joan Fisher, b 1934, m Franklin Brown; 4 CH:

FDDCcfEabaa. Patricia Joan Brown.

FDDCcfEabab. Bonnie Sue Brown.

FDDCcfEabaC. Bradley Ray Brown, twin.

FDDCcfEabaD. Barry Jay Brown, twin (Be401.).

FDDCcfEabB. Richard William Fisher, b 1942, d 1968, single (Be401.).

FDDCcfEb. Eslie Green, b 3.12.1886, Plainfield, IL, d 11.24.1918, m 6. --.1904, Henry Birkett; 6 CH (hypothetical birth-sequence):

FDDCcfEb?. (anon.) Birkett, d inf.

FDDCcfEb. (anon.) Birkett, d inf.

FDDCcfEbC. Andrew Birkett, b ----, m ----, Irene Palmer; res was Joliet, IL. Andrew had 4 CH:

FDDCcfEbCa. (anon. dtr) Birkett, m (Be401.).

FDDCcfEbCb. (anon. dtr) Birkett; res was near Chicago, IL.

FDDCcfEbCC. (anon. son) Birkett, d.

FDDCcfEbCD. (anon. son) Birkett, missionary to Japan (Be401.).

FDDCcfEbD. Orin Birkett, b ----, d ----, m ----, Luetta Wolf; res was Plainfield, IL; 2 CH:

FDDCcfEbDA. Robert Birkett (Be401.).

FDDCcfEbDB. Elmer Birkett (Be401.).

FDDCcfEbe. Arda Birkett (d) (Be401.).

FDDCcfEbf. Ida Birkett (d) (Be401.).

FDDCcfEc. Dell Green, b 3.23.1891, Plainfield, IL, d 3.4.1948, bur Wheatland Cem; m Reuben Scott Boughton, b 11.27.1890, d 10.12.1970 (Be401.); 4 CH: (A) inf son, (B) Warren, (c) Mary, and (d) Lyndel Boughton; DESC:

FDDCcfEcA. (anon. son) Boughton, b 8.9.1914, d 8.15.1915, bur Wheatland Cem, Plainfield, IL.

FDDCcfEcB. Warren Boughton, b 8.9.1915, d 10.8.1959, Plainfield, IL, m Loretta Sauter, b 4.2.1919, Bensonville, IL; 3 CH: (a) Elaine, (b) Carolyn, and (C) Ronald Boughton; DESC:

FDDCcfEcBa. Elaine Boughton, b 7.6.1943, Aurora, IL, m 6.30.1962, Charles Fish; 2 CH:

FDDCcfEcBaa. Donna Fish, b 3.29.1963.

FDDCcfEcBaB. Robert Fish, b 2.9.1965, Aurora, IL (Be401.).

FDDCcfEcBb. Carolyn Boughton, b 5.16.1948, Aurora, IL, m 9.22.1973, Richard Smith.

FDDCcfEcBC. Ronald Warren Boughton, b 2.25.1952.

FDDCcfEcc. Mary L. Boughton, b 11.24.1917, Plainfield, IL, d 7.10.1954; m 2.20.1936, Homer Grommon; 3 CH: (a) Sandra, (B) Larry, and (C) Dennis; DESC:

FDDCcfEcca. Sandra L. Grommon, b 8.23.1941, m 10.1.1960, Donald Korach; 2 CH (Be401.):

FDDCcfEccaA. Donald Korach, Jr., b 8.18.1961, Joliet, IL.

FDDCcfEccab. Debra L. Korach, b 8.3.1963.

FDDCcfEccB. Larry L. Grommon, b 6.13.1943, m 4.1.1967, Jean Taylor; CH:

FDDCcfEccBA. Barry Grommon, b 3.26.1970, Joliet, IL (Be401.).

FDDCcfEccBb. Ann Grommon, b 2.14.1973.

FDDCcfEccC. Dennis L. Grommon, b 10.18.1951, Aurora, IL.

FDDCcfEcd. Lyndel J. Boughton, b 6.30.1919, Plainfield, IL, m 9.29.1940, Harold G. Sauter, b 1917, was of Bensonville; res (1975): 1905 Dotsera Ave., Loveland, CO (80537) (Be401.); 2 CH:

FDDCcfEcda. Nancy Lyn Sauter, b 8.29.1942, Aurora, IL; res (1975): Loveland, CO.

FDDCcfEcdb. Janis M. Sauter, b 6.20.1947; res (1975): Honolulu, HI (Be401.).

FDDCcfED. Dennison Green, b ----, Plainfield, IL, d ----, m Lydia Smitt; 4 CH: (A) Virgil, (B) Carl, (c) Fern, and (d) Lulu Green; DESC:

FDDCcfEDA. Virgil Green, b ----, d ----, m Dorothy Granagher; res (1975): 4516 W. Breese, Baldwin Park, CA (91706); 3 CH:

FDDCcfEDAa. Betty Green.

FDDCcfEDAB. Donnie Green.

FDDCcfEDAc. Diann Green.

FDDCcfEDB. Carl Green, D.D.S., b 1908, m Ann B. Grethey; res (1975): 618 Romero Canyon Rd., Santa Barbara, CA (92660); DESC:

FDDCcfEDBA. Dennison Smith Green, b 1941, m Vicki (----); CH:

FDDCcfEDBAA. John Rustin Green, b 1975.

FDDCcfEDBb. Sally Green, b 1943, m Frans Nelson.

FDDCcfEDBc. JoAnn Green, b 1945, m Bruce Kentera.

FDDCcfEDc. Fern Green, b ----, m (----) Keller; res (1975): 902 S. Lincoln, Urbana, IL (61801); CH:

FDDCcfEDcA. Karl Keller.

FDDCcfEDd. Lulu Green, b ----, m J. M. Crouse; res (1975): 2888 Bayshore Dr., Apt. 7A, Newport Beach, CA (92660) (Be401.).

FDDCcG. Bentley Wheeler (Be400.).

FDDCd. Amy Bentley, dtr of Thomas, b 4.15.1781, ----, d 2.6.1849, m Aaron Webster; 6 CH named; no further information (Be400., Be402.); their 6 CH:

FDDCdA. William Webster.

FDDCdB. Crosswell Webster.

FDDCdC. Aaron A. Webster.

FDDCdd. Hariot Webster.

FDDCde. Amy Webster.

FDDCdf. Betsey Webster.

FDDCE. Thomas Bentley, Jr., b 1.3.1784, Canaan, Columbia Co., NY. He emigrated with his father's family from Canaan to what is now Westford, Otsego, NY, according to his son Russel T. Bentley **(Be:FDDCED.)** in his 1891 compilation. Russel further wrote,

> The locality was called Bentley Hollow, I suppose because it is almost a basin, lying between two spurs of the Catskill Mountains, the spot Cooper describes in his **Leatherstocking Tales** as 'Susquehanna's utmost springs.' In fact, the springs on my father's farm ran into the Susquehanna, while those on the farm next east emptied into the Delaware and a little southeast, springs ran into the Hudson. But everything is changed now; true, the hills are still there; some of the old buildings are there no doubt, but where is the old

> group of friends, who, in the old (then, the new) schoolhouse, in their homemade clothes, used to listen to a homemade preacher, a farmer like themselves? Alas, the churchyard tells the story. Even the name has changed; instead of Bentley Hollow it is now Maple Valley. What has this to do with Thomas Bentley? A good deal. Into this place he came with his father and mother, brothers and sisters, and ere long, his wife (Pauline Crawford) and his children. There he lived and died in the same house built of lumber (that) he sawed and put up with his hands and some help from his younger brother William, who was better on the boards; but when it came to the last, he had to yield to Thomas . . . (Be400., Be401.).

Thomas Bentley, Jr., farmer in Bentley Hollow, had moved with his father from Canaan to Westford, NY, ae 17 y. He d 1.22.1843, Maple Valley (formerly "Bentley Hollow"), Otsego Co., NY. Thomas m **first** 4.3.1808, Milford (located west of Worcester), NY, Pauline Crawford, b 2.3.1786, d 4.5.1837; their 7 CH: (A) Alvern(e) Porter Bentley, (B) Horatio **Nelson** Bentley, (C) Alexander Bentley, (D) Russel Thomas Bentley, (e) Electa S. Bentley, (f) Barbary M. Bentley, and (G) Norman Green Bentley.

Thomas Bentley, Jr. **(Be:FDDCE.).** m secondly Aroa, "Dear Wife" (Be405.), Aroa (----) Potter, widow and mother of 2 CH by a previous m; their only CH: (h) Amelia Dorleska Bentley (Be400.). The DESC of Thomas Bentley, Jr., follow.

FDDCEA. Alverne Porter Bentley, "Son" of Thomas, Jr. (Be405), farmer, b 1809, Westford, Otsego Co., NY, d 4.6.1891, Appleton, Outagamie Co., WI (bur Riverside, Appleton) (DCR-Be401.), where he had resided since 1850. Alvern(e) was m 1839, Maple Valley, Otsego Co., NY, to Marietta Colson, b 1816, d 1889.

According to his brother Russel T. Bentley (**Be:FDDCED.**) (Be400.),

> We were much favored with each other's society. Except for 18 years I spent in Minnesota, we were never long apart. Although so much older, he married in February, I in May of the same year (1839) and our first housekeeping was in the same house, the winter of 1839-40, in Exeter, N. Y. After Father's death we jointly occupied the old homestead for one year, then I sold my interest to Alverne and came west (1844). He bade me a sorrowful farewell, saying it was not likely we should ever meet again in this world. Nevertheless, the next spring, he came and stayed two or three months with us, making a claim and getting a little 'breaking' done. The next spring, 1846, he came with his family, including our youngest brother Norman, not yet of age, and lived the summer with us. Then the girls came and the next spring my father's family were all settled within sound of my voice. In 1850, I sold and broke up the nest; like a flock of pigeons when a hawk pounces, within four years not one of us were living anywhere near there. Myself and youngest brother are all that is left on 'this side of the river.' The rest are all gone from Appleton, Arena, Green Prairie, Binghampton, California.

Alverne and Marietta had these 6 CH: (a) Mary, (B) Nelson, (C) Lyman, (d) Olive, (e) Anna, and (f) Ellen Jane Bentley; DESC:

FDDCEAa. Mary Clarissa Bentley, b 1840, NY, d Appleton, WI, m **first** her father's first-cousin Stephen R. Bentley **(Be:FDDCFH.),** b 1843, d 1880; 1 CH

FDDCEAaa. Cora Otilla Bentley, b 1865, d 1883, m 1880, Thomas Benton Manzer.

Mary Clarissa Bentley m **secondly** 1870, Thomas B. Hill, b 1830; their 3 CH:

FDDCEAaB. Burton Porter Hill, b 1871.

FDDCEAac. Mabel Clare Hill, b 1873, d 1874.

FDDCEAad. Lillian Irene Hill, b 1877, d 1880.

FDDCEAB. Nelson Henry Bentley, b 1842, d 1844, bur in NY.

FDDCEAC. Lyman Henry Bentley, b 1845, m 1877, Appleton, WI, Ella Colman, 2 CH:

FDDCEACa. Isabelle Bentley, b 1878.

FDDCEACb. May Elizabeth Bentley, b 1881, d 1885.

FDDCEAd. Olive Electa Bentley, b 1847, d 1891, m 1887, Edward E. Burham; no CH.

FDDCEAe. Anna Maria Bentley, b 1847, m 12.3.1872, Appleton, WI, Congregational Church (MCR—Be401.), Charles Edward Spicer, Edward's son, mechanic, of Appleton, WI; 5 CH:

FDDCEAea. May Spicer, b 1874.

FDDCEAeB. Ernest Porter Spicer, b 1879.

FDDCEAeC. Artie Eugene Spicer, b 1884.

FDDCEAed. Maria Inez Spicer, b 1886.

FDDCEAeE. Earl Bentley Spicer, b 1891.

FDDCEAf. Ellen Jane Bentley, b 1850, Sun Prairie, Dane Co., WI; m 1877, Appleton, WI, Ransom T. Puffer, carpenter, b NY; 5 CH: (a) Loretta, (B) Alverne, (c) Effie, (d) Blanche, and (E) Waldo John Puffer; DESC:

FDDCEAfa. Loretta Marjora Puffer, b 1879.

FDDCEAfB. Alverne Ira Puffer, b 1883.

FDDCEAfc. Effie May Puffer, b 1.27.1888, d 1971, m Ray Barnaby; both bur Ironwood, MI; no CH.

FDDCEAfd. Blanche Irene Puffer, b 8.27.1890, Appleton, WI.

FDDCEAfE. Waldo John Puffer (Be401., R.B. Schmidt's 1976 **correspondent**), b 6.16.1893, m Appleton, WI, Genevieve Courtois, b 1.10.1896. He

was a salesman and a veteran of World War I. Their 2 CH: Waldo John Puffer, Jr. and Richard Gary Puffer; DESC:

FDDCEAfEA. Waldo John Puffer, b 3.1.1923, veteran of World War II, counselor at Franklin H. S., Milwaukee, WI (1976); m 8.5.1950, Marion Jobelious; 3 CH:

FDDCEAfEAa. Christine Puffer.

FDDCEAfEAb. Susan Puffer.

FDDCEAfEAC. John Scott Puffer.

FDDCEAfEB. Richard Gary Puffer, b 1.12.1932, m 10.25.1959, Betty Jane Nienke of Black Creek, WI. He is a veteran of the Korean Conflict and a member of the American Legion and the Outagamie Forty and Eight. Their res (1976): 731 N. Mason St., Appleton, WI (54911); their 4 CH:

FDDCEAfEBa. Robin Sue Puffer, b 1960.

FDDCEAfEBB. Richard T. Puffer, b 1967.

FDDCEAfEBc. Lynn Ann Puffer, b 1970.

FDDCEAfEBd. Beth Ann Puffer, b 1972.

FDDCEB. Horatio **Nelson** Bentley, "Son" of Thomas, Jr. (Be405.), b 1811, NY, d 1879, CA, m 1847, Canada, Pauline Corey. Ruth (Babington) Schmidt (Be401.) pointed out that census records for California (1870 and 1880) contain the information placing the births of their three eldest children in WI—information in conflict with their dtr Amelia's account that Horatio went to CA in 1849 via the Isthmus route (quoting Eugene Sawyer, **The Historical Record of Los Angeles, California,** 1922, "History of Santa Clara County," p 1061). Horatio engaged in farming and merchandising. Horatio's fourth child, Amelia Dorliska Bentley, was b 11.29.1859, near San Rafael, CA, and was reared in Dixon, Solano Co., CA; she was m in 1880 to Edwin H. George, who became a rancher in San Benito Co., CA (near Hollister).

Horatio's 6 CH were named in an 1880 CR (Be401.): (A) Thomas Ruben, (b) Ida Augusta, (C) Horatio Nelson, (d) Amelia Dorliska, (E) Rodney, and (F) William Henry H. Bentley; DESC:

FDDCEBA. Thomas **Ruben** Bentley, b ca 1849, WI; res (1880): Dixon, Solano Co., CA. He m 10.31.1873, Mary Louise Hamilton; 1 CH:

FDDCEBAA. Edwin Bentley, b 4.3.1875, Hollister, CA.

FDDCEBb. Ida Augusta Bentley, b ca 1852, WI ("Ida Tyler" of Binghampton, 1870 CR—Be401.); m Auburn, CA, 1869, Franklin Tyler; 4 CH:

FDDCEBbA. Frank Tyler, b 1871.

FDDCEBbb. Matty Tyler, b 1878.

FDDCEBbc. Ida Tyler, b 1880 (age of 3 months, 1880 CR).

FDDCEBbD. Gustave Tyler, b after 1890.

FDDCEBC. Horatio Nelson Bentley, b ca 1855, WI, d 1889.

FDDCEBd. Amelia Dorliska Bentley, ("Amelia Augusta" in CR), b 11.29.1859, near San Rafael, reared and educated in Dixon, Solano Co., CA; m 1880, Edwin A. George, b MI (came to CA in 1855 ae. 3 y), d 10.8.1919. Amelia owned the ranch when she retired to her home in San Jose, CA (435 S. Second St.). Amelia and Edwin had these ten CH: (a) Frances, (B) William, (C) Herbert, (d) Rosa, (E) Walter, (F) Hiram, (G) Reuben, (H) Ernest, (i) Ethel, and (j) Elinor George; DESC (further research desired):

FDDCEBda. Frances H. George, b 1881, m F. H. Herrman; they were believed to have had 4 CH.

FDDCEBdB. William Edwin George, b 1883, d 1884.

FDDCEBdC. Herbert Edwin George, b 1885; he was believed to have had two sons. He was believed to have lived near Hollister.

FDDCEBdd. Rosa Augusta George, b and d 1887.

FDDCEBdE. Walter Henry George, b 1889, m, and operated a ranch near Hollister, San Benito Co., CA.

FDDCEBdF. Hiram George, b after 1891, lived in San Benito Co., CA; enlisted in World War I.

FDDCEBdG. Reuben L. George, b after 1891, lived in San Benito Co., CA. Reuben was a corporal in Co. A, 59th Infantry, 4th Division; he received the **Distinguished Service Cross** for extraordinary heroism in action on 9.20.1918. Sergeants of his platoon were wounded or killed; the platoon became badly disorganized under heavy fire. He assumed the leadership responsibility, reorganized his platoon, and led the attack against enemy machine guns. Although wounded himself, he remained with his men through the night refusing to be moved until all the wounded were cared for. After his discharge, he returned to operate 640 acres of good grazing land in San Benito County.

FDDCEBdH. Ernest George, b after 1891, became a rancher near Newman, CA. He m Gertrude (-----) (1977 res in Modesto, CA) and had 2 CH.

FDDCEBdi. Ethel George, b after 1891, m George Bennett of Oakland, CA; they had 1 dtr.

FDDCEBdj. Elinor George, b after 1891, m Charles Mills; 2 CH:

FDDCEBdjA. Robert Mills, m and living in Salinas, CA, with 3 CH.

FDDCEBdjb. Lillian Amelia Mills, b 10.30.1927, San Jose, CA, bookkeeper, m Carl Cavazas; res (1977): 831 B St., Hollister, CA (95023). This searcher talked with Lillian over the telephone late at night on 10.29.1978,

wishing her a "Happy Birthday" (1-408-637-6346). Her address was obtained from Ruth (Babington) Schmidt.

FDDCEBE. Rodney Bentley, b ca 1861, CA, m 1882, Lizzie Cromwell; 2 CH:

FDDCEBEA. Jesse Bentley, b 1883, d 1884.

FDDCEBEb. Ida Cecil Bentley, b 1889.

FDDCEBF. William Henry H. Bentley, b ca 1865, CA (1870 CR, Be401.).

FDDCEC. Alexander Bentley, b 1814, d 1817, bur in NY (Be400.).

FDDCED. Russel Thomas Bentley, "Son" of Thomas, Jr. (Be405.), searcher, researcher, compiler, and author of the 1891 genealogy (5.1.1891, Appleton, WI) entitled **Record of the Bentley Family**

> from Thomas Bentley, Sr., of Canaan, Columbia Co., NY, to (the) last one born or married into this family, with such information as the author hopes will enable the reader to trace his pedigree back to early settlement of this land of Liberty and Equality.

On page 25 of his great-granddaughter Ruth Mae (Babington) Schmidt's **(Be:FDDCEDAdb.)** compilation **As The Twig Is Bent**, he is quoted as writing, "There is something about myself in a pocket memorandum but I have no time to transcribe it here. Perhaps one of my children may do it for me or send it to someone who will." Apparently the transcription was not made (Be400., Be401.). Thank goodness that Ruth became interested in genealogy!

Russel Thomas Bentley, b 11.23.1816, Otsego Co., NY, d 7.24.1892, Kickapoo (?) or Readstown (?), WI. Russel m 5.15.1839, Westford, NY, Salome Pierce, Stephan's dtr, ae. 17 y, b Maryland, NY, d 1904 (**Mazomanie Sickle**) (Be401.). Russel T. m 5.22.1839, Westford, NY "Saloma Pierce" (Be398., No. 115. of Vol. I). Their 5 CH: (A) Stephan Russel, b 1840; (B) William Eugene, b 1847; (C) Alverne Lewellyn, b 1850; (D) Cary Johnson, b 1857; and (e) Mary Jane (Jennie) Bentley, b 1861.

The following paragraphs have been extracted from the story of Russel T. Bentley and Salome Pierce by Ruth (Babington) Schmidt **(Be:FDDCEDAdb.)**, Russel's great-granddaughter, in **As The Twig Is Bent**. For further detail, see her compilation.

> I (Ruth Schmidt) have the copy-book that Russel used in teaching in Westford, NY, in 1836. Until I began this history, the name 'Russel T. Bentley' was like a myth to me; the only tangible reality about him being my book. In 1972, I went to see the Alverne L. Bentley family in Colorado. I learned about the family history Russel had written but was told the original copy burned in a house fire. I assumed we would never know what was in that hand-written history. I also assumed the Bentley name, on our branch of the family, was extinct, as Stephen had all girls. I found Russel's son Alverne

had many sons, there being at least twenty living male descendants of Russel to carry on the family name. The idea of the hand-written history intrigued me. I wrote to **Cooperstown, NY**, in search of information about Russel T. Bentley. The **Historical Society** directed me to descendants of William Bentley who still lived near Westford. I learned that one of the hand-written copies of Russel's history, which had been sent to his cousin Wm. H. Bentley **(Be:FDDCGE.)**, had been saved through four generations. It was graciously shared with us and now I can put it into print as Russel wanted to do 85 years ago.

Russel and Salome (Pierce) Bentley were married in NY state. Russel was a school teacher for about eight years. They came to Wisconsin in 1844. Their oldest son Stephan was born in Westford (Otsego Co., NY) when Russel taught there. He was four years old when his parents loaded all their worldly belongings on a flatboat and went up the Erie Canal to Lake Erie. He was quite the pet of the voyage, with his long curls. Stephan, a good singer, entertained the passengers on the flatboat during the trip. They gave him pennies, which he was allowed to keep. The Bentleys crossed the Great Lakes in a steamboat to Milwaukee—the 'jumping-off' place going west at that time. In Milwaukee, Russel bought a horse and wagon and joined an ox-team caravan through the woodlands of the Rock River country toward Sun Prairie, a wild unsettled land twelve miles from Madison. There were no bridges; the Crawford and Rock had to be forded. There were Indians everywhere. Russel farmed at Sun Prairie for six years during which time he was joined by his brothers and sisters from New York.

Norman Bentley **(Be:FDDCEG.)** married a girl from Windsor, WI, in 1850. Russel decided to move to Sauk County, WI (Cassell Prairie), in 1850. By now his family had grown to three sons. Norman and his wife went along to Sauk Co. where three of Norman's four children were born. Barbara died of childbirth in 1850. She was buried at Medina, WI, leaving no descendants. Electa died a little more than a year later, leaving no children. Alverne, now left alone, moved his family to Appleton to farm.

Russel's family, Norman and his bride, moved their belongings across the Wisconsin River on a ferry boat at Ferry Bluff, just west of Sauk City. Russel's youngest son was only three months old during this trip. Their first home at Cassell was at the foot of Leykauf's Bluff, in the Icabod Carey log house. The ruins of this old house still stood in Leykauf's pasture when I, Ruth (Babington) Schmidt, walked to school (1910-1917). When the Bentleys arrived at Cassell they had six dollars to their name. This was all the money they had, except Stephan's pennies, which he still kept, until Russel hauled a load of wheat to Milwaukee by ox team that fall, and sold it for supplies and cash.

. . . Both Russel and Norman served on the Cassell School Board. In the summer of 1857, Salome taught the school and in the winter

term of 1859, Norman taught. On 10.26.1857, Russel's fourth son Cary was born. No one knows why Russel decided in 1860, to move back to Sun Prairie. We read between lines of old letters, that Willie was pushed from the roof of a building at Cassell about 1857 and sustained serious injury. It turned to epilepsy. Apparently his father blamed a certain person for this mishap and it is possible his resentment grew until he wanted to get away from the area. I do not know if Norman went back to Sun Prairie in 1860, or if he went to Minnesota with Russel in 1863-4 directly from Cassell.

. . . (about 1864) Russel headed west again. Norman's family went at the same time. Rochester, MN, was now the 'jumping-off' place, so they went that far by train. From there, with a team of unbroken oxen and a wagon, they headed across the prairie toward Mankato. They homesteaded at various places between Rochester and North Dakota, but mainly they lived near Pine Island, MN. . .

. . . Jenny 'worked out' and eventually married. She and her husband each claimed a section of land near Belfield, ND. Cary died in a blizzard in 1883 and Alverne had gone back to WI.

Picking up the history about 1883—the home broke up. Russel evidently had developed such a protective love for Willie he could not forgive Salome for listening to the advice of neighbors and signing the papers that hospitalized Willie. During the feud Salome went to live with Jennie. Russel returned to Wisconsin to live with his son Stephan's family. There is no record of a divorce.

Russel lived most of the rest of his life with Stephan's family, according to diaries and letters, but spent some time at Alverne L.'s home. And the year after his sister-in-law died in Appleton, Russel spent the winter with his oldest brother, Alverne P. Bentley **(Be:FD-DCEA.).** While there, the brothers whiled away the winter days by writing the family history. Before it was really finished, Alverne P. died on 4.1891, and Russel returned to his son Alverne L.'s home in Readstown, WI.

When Russel returned from Appleton, Addie was expecting Scott, and she was quite sickly during that summer. Russel had solicited contributions from relatives, to publish his history, but no one responded, and since he could not afford to do it all himself, he decided to copy the history in six hand-written copies, one for each of his cousins' families. There were so many little ones at Addie's house and with her ill health, Russel decided to spend some time with his friends, the Darrows, where he could write in quiet. Mr. Darrow was a school teacher and he and Russel got along very well. While sitting at the dinner table at the Darrow home, July 24, 1892, reading his newspaper, Russel suddenly fell from his chair dead. I have searched in several counties for his death certificate; I have checked cemeteries in the areas, but all I have is our family **Bible** record of his death.

The following are known descendants of Russel T. Bentley and his wife Salome Pierce.

FDDCEDA. Stephan Russel Bentley, "jack-of-all-trades," b 8.17.1840, Otsego Co., NY; d 4.19.1916, Prairie du Sac, WI, and was bur. in Cassell Cem. With his parents he moved to Sun Prairie, WI, 1844, and to Cassell, Sauk Co., WI, 1850. Stephan m 9.28.1861, Cassell, WI, Eliza Jane Patchen, b 3.12.1842, NY, d 5.11.1911, bur Cassell Cem., Cassell, WI.

According to his granddaughter Ruth (Babington) Schmidt (Be401.) (extracts):

> Stephen worked as a raftsman on the Wisconsin River for several years before he married. He wrote an historical account, "Rafting on the Wisconsin;" which is in the Wisconsin State Historical Library...
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> While his family lived at Cassell, 1850-1860, Stephan became interested in Eliza Jane Patchen, whose parents had also migrated from New York state to Cassell. Eliza Jane taught in Cassell school in the summer of 1859, at age 17. When her parents moved to Wilson Creek, six miles west, Stephan walked this distance to court Eliza. He was twenty years old when his father moved back to Sun Prairie. Stories tell us that Stephan walked thirty five miles from Sun Prairie to Wilson Creek to propose to Eliza Jane. A month after Stephan's twenty-first birthday, he enlisted in Capt. Oakley's Co. B of the 11th Regiment of Wisconsin Infantry. He married Eliza Jane two weeks later and left immediately for the Civil War.
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> Eliza continued to teach the summer sessions at the Cassell school, while her brother, William R. Patchen, with whom she stayed, taught the winter sessions (doc. evid., teach. certif.'s, Be401.). Stephan received a medical discharge in 1862 and came home to set up housekeeping with his wife in the original 'Russell Bentley' cabin, on the strip of land still owned by Russel. Eliza taught again in 1863; in March, 1864, their first baby was born and Stephan re-enlisted in Co. K of the 42nd Regiment of Wisconsin Infantry. The baby Walter Thomas d at age 19 months . . .
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> . . . besides being a raftsman and a minister and a soldier, he made and sold patent medicines . . . He was a salesman of sewing machines, pianos, organs and books. He operated a ferry across the Wisconsin River at four or five separate intervals. He had a boarding house which he operated for a large sawmill in Arkansas. On the Bentley strip of land at Cassell, there were, at various times, a picket mill, a creamery and a gristmill. I remember Grandpa as a very dignified, unbended person who must be self-employed and would sooner not work at all as to stoop to hire. Stephan was a cobbler, a tailor (had dress-making shop, Richland Center), a piano tuner, a newspaper man (editor of the **Arena Star** in 1883), a storekeeper (Bentley Music Store, Richland Center, 1883 to 1887). He ran an omnibus from the hotel to the depot in Richland Center. He usually traveled on foot or bicycle, although his favorite transportation was always by boat . . . had a ferry in 1889, 1895, and 1898.

The Bentleys belonged to the Christian Advent Church of Arena . . . all of Kate's girls were baptized in the Wisconsin River by Rev. Bird about 1918.

Stephan and wife Eliza Jane had these 5 CH: (A) Walter Thomas, (B) Harry Theodore, (c) Hattie Theodora, (d) Kate Winifred, and (e) Jessie Maud Bentley; DESC:

FDDCEDAA. Walter Thomas Bentley, b 3.15.1864, d 11.2.1865, bur Cassell Cem., Cassell, WI. The toddler died eleven days after being scalded by the water in a boiler into which he had stumbled on a wash day as he ran to greet his father.

FDDCEDAB. Harry Theodore Bentley, twin, b 3.20.1866, d 8.9.1866.

FDDCEDAc. Hattie Theodora Bentley, twin, b 3.20.1866, d 1.16.1944, bur in Harrison, ID; m Bernard Murray of Waupun, ID; 3 CH: (A) Bruce, (B) Ward, and (c) Katie Elizabeth Murray; DESC:

FDDCEDAcA. Bruce Murray, b 1893, d 1895, from bronchial pneumonia.

FDDCEDAcB. Ward Murray, b 1896, d 1906, from complications of an appendectomy, bur in Harrison, ID.

FDDCEDAcc. Katie Elizabeth Murray, b 8.7.1902, Harrison, ID, m **first** Kenneth Pettit; 3 CH:

FDDCEDAcca. Elizabeth Pettit, b and d 1929.

FDDCEDAccB. Bernard Pettit, b 1932, m and div; CH were with mother, who was remarried (anon. spouse).

FDDCEDAccc. Kathy Pettit, b 1942, m Charles Drake of Chugiak, AK; res (1975): Chugiak, AK (Star Rt., Box 461, 99567); 5 CH:

FDDCEDAcccA. Terry Drake, b 1961.

FDDCEDAcccb. Sherry Drake, b 1963.

FDDCEDAcccc. Timmy Drake, b 1964.

FDDCEDAcccd. Susan Drake, b 1970.

FDDCEDAcccE. (anon. boy) Drake, b 1973.

FDDCEDAd. Kate Winnifred Bentley, b 9.28.1870, Cassell Prairie, Sauk Co., WI, d 3.20.1932, bur Cassell Cem, Cassell, WI; m John Theodore Babington, b 5.11.1873, d 12.25.1930, bur Cassell, WI; 3 CH: (a) Elizabeth, (b) Ruth, and (c) Mary Babington; DESC:

FDDCEDAda. Elizabeth Thomazine Babington, b 4.7.1902, d 8.16.1948, in car accident, bur Cassell, WI.

FDDCEDAdb. Ruth Mae Babington, searcher, researcher, compiler, author of **As The Twig Is Bent**, 1978 **(Be401.),** has extended the genealogy of the Thomas Bentley Family **(Be:FDDC.)** begun by her great-grandfather Russel Thomas Bentley **(Be:FFDCED.)** (his 1891 manuscript) to include

many descendants living in 1975-78. Her efforts in identifying the descendants of Thomas Bentley **(Be:FFDC.)**, son of BENJAMIN BENTLEY and his wife SARAH SHIPPEE, are acknowledged by the inclusion of these previously unknown cousins in this classification. May this segment of the tree continue to grow abundantly.

Ruth Mae Babington, b 7.10.1905, m 1925, Milwaukee, WI, Elmer John Schmidt, b 8.21.1902, d 4.24.1964, bur Pinelawn Cem, Milwaukee, WI. Ruth's res (1978): Merton, WI.

On p. 125 of her compilation, Ruth wrote:

> I, Ruth, was Kate's second girl. I went to teacher's college and taught school for three years before marrying a farm boy near Milwaukee. Ruth and Elmer Schmidt lived on a 144-acre dairy farm in Milwaukee County, WI. This farm had 20 acres of apple trees so it was known as 'The Apple Farm.' We lived here 22 years before moving to my present home in Merton. Elmer had many serious accidents. He lost his left arm in the silo-filler in 1936, and was badly crippled in other farm accidents. We gave up farming and Elmer did woodcraft as a hobby. He made wooden toys and children's stools for a large department store in Milwaukee until he died of a heart attack at age 61. I (Ruth) went back to teaching in the Educable Mentally Retarded class in our area, where I taught until I retired and took up writing and genealogy as my hobbies.

Ruth and Elmer had these 5 CH: (a) Alice, (b) Kathleen, (c) Jean, (D) Walter, and (e) Karen Schmidt.

FDDCEDAdba. Alice Irene Schmidt, b 6.5.1926, Wauwatosa, Milwaukee Co., WI, a cashier; m John Rosandich, b 11.19.1918, World War II veteran. They have a 120-acre dairy farm in "Dodge Co." Their res (1975): 362 Erin Rd., Oconomowoc, Waukasha, WI. Their 7 CH (and 2 GCH):

FDDCEDAdbaa. Sharon Ann Rosandich, b 8.27.1945, teacher, m Thomas Chase, social worker. Their (1975) res: N37, W26715 Kopmeier Dr., Pewaukee, WI. They have 1 CH:

FDDCEDAdbaaA. Timothy Patrick Chase, b 2.8.1970.

FDDCEDAdbaB. Gregory David Rosandich, b 10.29.1946, Milwaukee, WI; petroleum analyst for the State of WI.

FDDCEDAdbaC. Mark Dennis Rosandich, b 6.16.1949, Oconomowoc, WI, m 1970, Sue Kreblin; res (1975): 431 Charles St., Waukesha, WI (53066), where Mark is a quality-control technician at RTE Corp. Their CH:

FDDCEDAdbaCa. Lissa Ann Rosandich, b 2.25.1974.

FDDCEDAdbad. Kathryn Ruth Rosandich, b 12.9.1951, teacher.

FDDCEDAdbae. Maureen Elizabeth Rosandich, b 1.21.1956, college student (1975).

The Schmidt Family at Christmas in 1973, Merton, WI, standing, l to r: Jean Ruth (Schmidt) Holder, **Be:FDDCEDAdbc.;** Walter John Schmidt, **Be:FDDCEDAdbD.;** Alice Irene (Schmidt) Rosandich, **Be:FDDCEDAdba.;** seated, l to r: Kathleen Mary (Schmidt) Arndt, **Be:FDDCEDAdbb.;** Ruth (Babington) Schmidt, **Be:FDDCEDAdb.,** mother and searcher-researcher, compiler, and author of **As The Twig Is Bent — A Bentley Family History;** and Karen Ann (Schmidt) Bieri, **Be:FDDCEDAdbe.**

FDDCEDAdbaF. John Christopher Rosandich, b 6.14.1959, d 11.5.1964, from leukemia.

FDDCEDAdbaG. Andrew James Rosandich, b 1.7.1961, student (1975).

FDDCEDAdbb. Kathleen Mary Schmidt, b 9.22.1927, Wauwatosa, WI, a second-grade teacher, m 1947, Milwaukee, WI, Louis E. Arndt, b 7.10.1921, grounds supervisor at WCTI College. Their (1975) res: 7440 Main St., Merton, WI; 1 CH:

FDDCEDAdbbA. Thom Louis Arndt, b 8.8.1948, industrial arts instructor, m Kristine Juderjahn, a teacher; res (1975): Merton, WI.

FDDCEDAdbc. Jean Ruth Schmidt, b 4.12.1930, office worker at Custer H.S., Milwaukee, WI, m William **Don** Holder, b 1.21.1925, Coffeyville, KS, employee in school for disturbed boys; res (1975): 4933 N. 53, Milwaukee, WI; their 3 CH:

FDDCEDAdbcA. Logan Wayne Holder, Rev., pastor in the United Methodist Church, b 5.23.1950.

FDDCEDAdbcb. Lorna Ruth Holder, b 8.24.1953, m Ken Ledger; res (1975): Ingalls, MI; 2 CH:

FDDCEDAdbcba. Heather Ruth Ledger, b 4.2.1972.

FDDCEDAdbcbB. Paul John Ledger, b 3.28.1974.

FDDCEDAdbcC. Ronald Dean Holder, b 11.1.1957, student at the University of Wisconsin, Madison (1975).

FDDCEDAdbD. Walter John Schmidt, b 10.9.1940, guidance counselor in West Allis Jr. H.S., m Kathleen V. Lueck, teacher, b 2.1.1941; res (1975): Delavan, WI. Their 2 CH:

FDDCEDAdbDA. Kelly Lee Schmidt, b 2.13.1969.

FDDCEDAdbDB. Derek John Schmidt, b 7.20.1973.

FDDCEDAdbe. Karen Ann Schmidt, b 2.19.1942, former high school teacher (physical education and history), m Robert Bieri, b 1.26.1943, industrial plumbing supervisor; res (1975): 3645 Shetland Lane, Brookfield, WI (53005); two CH:

FDDCEDAdbeA. Russell William Bieri, b 3.27.1969.

FDDCEDAdbeB. Randall Edward Bieri, b 4.7.1973.

FDDCEDAdc. Mary Charlotte Babington, b 4.7.1908, Sauk Co., WI, m 1932, Ernest Meyer, d 1.28.1977; her res (1975): 210 5th St., Prairie du Sac, WI; 4 CH: (a) Marilyn, (b) Phyllis, (C) Harvey, and (d) Patricia Ann Meyer; DESC:

FDDCEDAdca. Marilyn Margaret Meyer, b 4.22.1933, m Richard Wenzel, d 9.1977, was employed in the Fish Division of the Wisconsin State Conservation Dept; res was Blue River, WI; 3 CH:

FDDCEDAdcaA. Michael Wenzel, b 2.14.1957.

FDDCEDAdcab. Susan Wenzel, b 2.14.1958.

FDDCEDAdcac. Annette Wenzel, b 5.2.1961.

FDDCEDAdcb. Phyllis Maxine Meyer, b 5.27.1935, m **first** Charles Stevens. She m **secondly** Fred Richmond (no CH). Phyllis and Charles had these 5 CH:

FDDCEDAdcbA. Ron Stevens, b 1956.

FDDCEDAdcbB. Jeff Stevens, b 11.1958.

FDDCEDAdcbC. Roger Stevens, b 4.1961.

FDDCEDAdcbd. Sherri Beth Stevens, b 6.1965.

FDDCEDAdcbE. Douglas Stevens, b 1968, d 1971, by drowning.

FDDCEDAdcC. Harvey John Meyer, b 1.18.1938; res (1978): Dundee Drive, Hollywood, CA (90028).

FDDCEDAdcd. Patricia Ann Meyer, b 6.2.1939, m Jerry Schied, vice-president of Signal Delivery Service; res (1975): 225 S. Linden Ave., Westmont, IL; their 3 sons:

FDDCEDAdcdA. Eugene Schied, b 3.1967.

FDDCEDAdcdB. Jay Schied, b 3.1970.

FDDCEDAdcdC. John Schied, b 2.1972.

FDDCEDAe. Jessie Maud Bentley, b 8.29.1874, Prairie du Sac, WI, d 10.1958, bur cem., Prairie du Sac, WI.

> Jessie planted the two long rows of cedar trees that line the driveway from Highway 60 to the Bentley cottage at Cassell. She rowed a boat across the Wisconsin River, then walked two miles, every day, to finish a school year at Cassell when Stephan made one of his many moves. Jessie stayed, dutifully, with her parents, helping her father in all of his many occupations until she was 30 years old (Be401.).

In 1904, Jessie m Robert S. Babington, b 12.13.1875, d 8.3.1952. "Rob" was a high school principal at Boscobel, Muscoda, and for 33 y at Prairie du Sac. After 1907, the family spent its summers at the Bentley cottage at Cassell, which later became the retirement home. Here, Rob wrote the book entitled **Cassell Prairie, a Wisconsin Neighborhood**, a copy of which is in the Wisconsin State Historical Society (Be401.).

Jessie and Robert had these 4 CH: (a) Sena Jane, (B) Samuel Russell, (C) Robert John, and (D) Paul Bruce Babington; DESC:

FDDCEDAea. Sena Jane Babington, b 5.21.1905, d in childbirth on 12.31.1926, Republic, MI, bur at Prairie du Sac, WI; high school teacher; m Anthony Kenny; 1 CH:

FDDCEDAeaa. Jane Thomazine Kenny, b 12.23.1926, m at Republic, MI, Henry Keskitalo; res (1975): 1349 Hull St., Ypsilanti, MI; 5 CH:

FDDCEDAeaaA. David Howard Keskitalo, b 8.22.1948, m Randy Dixon; 1 CH:

FDDCEDAeaaAA. David Howard Keskitalo, Jr., b 6.5.1970.

FDDCEDAeaaB. Daniel Keskitalo, b 7.4.1950, m Janet Wadke.

FDDCEDAeaac. Mary Alice Keskitalo, b 10.24.1952.

FDDCEDAeaaD. Thomas Anthony Keskitalo, b 4.5.1955.

FDDCEDAeaaE. Timothy John Keskitalo, b 4.5.1955.

FDDCEDAeB. Samuel Russell Babington, b 7.23.1907, d 7.22.1976.

Sam's first-cousin Ruth (Babington) Schmidt wrote (Be401.):

> Sam was born in the old Bentley cottage at Cassell, WI, in 1907, and until his death lived there as the keeper of the Bentley estate. The cedars that border the lane which were planted by Jessie Bentley in the 1890's have grown until their branches meet across the old, sandy road. Now a new driveway has been made to the cottage from Highway 60. The hump of ground, at the edge of the garden, that used to mark the foundation of the first house Russel Bentley built, is now leveled and only a memory. The old barn at the edge of the prairie-bank is gone. Sloughs, inlets, islands, even the course of the river, have changed, but it still quickens the pulse of us that remember this strip of land as our heritage.
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> . . . I remember Sam best in the years we grew up together at Cassell. I went to the cottage for vacations, to swim and fish at the river; Sam came to our farm to ride my pony. After high school, Sam went to the university. He became a master plumber and fine electrician before entering World War II. While stationed in England, Sam used his 'leaves' to look up historical locations and has given interesting accounts.
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> Sam never married. When his father Rob Babington retired from principalship of Prairie du Sac High School in 1940, and moved to the cottage at Cassell for his remaining years, Sam lived with his parents. Both were great nature lovers and Sam helped plant many trees for conservation. . . . Sam continued to live in the old homestead, making maple syrup and raising a huge garden for which he became well known for his vegetables and melons. Sam's maple syrup was top quality. He did not shirk on long, tedious hours of boiling the sap in the evaporating pans to the best consistency, and knowing just when to bottle it for market.
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> Sam was a great sports enthusiast. He played on the Troy baseball team for years. He was an avid follower of the professional games. Sam hunted and fished, respecting the laws of conservation for the future. For the last twenty years Sam had lived alone, caring for the old Bentley-Babington cottage that has been a landmark through

five generations since it was first homesteaded by Russel T. Bentley in 1851.

Unfortunately, Sam did not live to see Ruth's completed work **As The Twig Is Bent.**

FDDCEDAeC. Robert John Babington, b 2.13.1910, former high school teacher, past-president of the Pacific Southwest Area of the National Y.M.C.A., former member of the board of directors of the Great Valley Museum, Modesto, CA; m Dorothy Smith; res (1975): 1137 Durant, Modesto, CA; 2 sons:

FDDCEDAeCA. Robert John Babington III, b 3.25.1938, Shawano, WI, m **first** and div. Carol Andres; 1 CH:

FDDCEDAeCAA. Richard E. Babington, b 12.25.1959.

R. J. Babington III m **secondly** Elizabeth Stone.

FDDCEDAeCB. Richard Babington, b 4.7.1941, m Helen Coson; res (1978): 3958 Yale Way, Livermore, CA; adopted CH:

(1) Denise Babington, b 1968.

(2) David Babington, b 1971.

FDDCEDAeD. Paul Bruce Babington, b 10.6.1917, formerly a partner in the Ford garage, later parts manager for a construction firm in Plain, WI; m Ida Buxton; 3 CH: (a) Carol, (b) Ellen, and (C) Russell Scott Babington; DESC:

FDDCEDAeDa. Carol Babington, b 3.7.1940, Prairie du Sac, WI; m Earl Thomas; 5 CH:

FDDCEDAeDaa. Laura Jean Thomas, b 9.28.1962.

FDDCEDAeDaB. John Paul Thomas, b 2.19.1964.

FDDCEDAeDa?. (anon.) Thomas, twin, b 1971, d inf.

FDDCEDAeDa?. (anon.) Thomas, twin, b 1971, d inf.

FDDCEDAeDae. Amanda Jo Thomas, b 2.5.1974.

FDDCEDAeDb. Ellen Babington, b 11.27.1941, m William Larson, AZ; 3 CH:

FDDCEDAeDba. Sue Ellen Larson, b 4.16.1961.

FDDCEDAeDbB. Randy William Larson, b 6.23.1962.

FDDCEDAeDbC. Russell Scott Larson, b 11.28.1952, Prairie du Sac, WI (Be401.).

FDDCEDB. William Eugene "Willie" Bentley, son of Russel Thomas Bentley, b 4.27.1847, Dane Co., WI; d 9.10.1884, MN. He was badly injured in a fall on his head from a roof at age 10 years; the resulting abnormal behavior remained with him the rest of his life.

FDDCEDC. Alverne Lewellyn Bentley, son of Russel T., b 4.2.1850, Sun Prairie, Dane Co., WI, d 12.16.1910, Fayetteville, AR; m 2.27.1875, Addie Rinehart, d 7.7.1937, bur Lamar, Prowers Co., CO. Alverne and Addie had these ten CH: (a) Cassa **Maud**, (b) **Alice** Cary, (C) Orson **Ray,** (d) **Gussie** Genevieve, (e) Salome **Jean**, (F) Oscar **Roy**, (g) Fannie **Fern**, (H) **Scott** Pierce, (I) **Frank** Fay, and (J) Elmer **Earl** Bentley.

The following was extracted from "Bentley Scribblings" (1970) by Frank Fay Bentley **(Be:FDDCEDCI.)** (Be403., Be401.).

> Alverne Lewellyn Bentley was the third son of Russel T. and Salome Pierce Bentley. He was born in Dane Co., WI, 1850, and moved to Cassell, WI, when three months old. He went to MN with his parents in 1864. His two brothers, Willie, age 17, and Cary, age 7, and his only sister, Mary Jane, age 2½ (fondly called Aunt Jennie by the younger generations) went with him— his oldest brother Stephan stayed in Wisconsin.
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> Alverne drove a yoke of young oxen east each summer to work for hire in the farm country of Minnesota, while his family homesteaded land near Mankato. When he went home in the fall, he would trade or sell his team for an unbroken pair for extra money, as the broke(n) yoke brought much more than an unbroken pair of steers. One summer there was a pretty hired girl (Addie Rinehart) working for the same farmer as Vern. She consented to be his wife, 1875. When they arrived home, Jennie, now 13, wrote, 'Vern brought the most beautiful, sweet, wonderful girl I have ever seen.' Now Vern homesteaded land for himself. Willie, Salome, Cary and later Jennie, homesteaded claims in MN and ND. After 1883, the family scattered: Cary died; Willie entered a mental hospital; Salome went to live with Jennie; and the father (Russel) moved back to Wisconsin to live with his son Stephan. Soon after this Vern and Addie moved back to Wisconsin and lived at various locations near Richland Center until 1897. By this time Vern and Addie had ten children.
>
> In the fall of 1897, Father, Mother and all ten of us kids, started for Arkansas in two covered wagons and one surrey; it had two seats and a covered top. I was two years old and Earl was just a few months. Father and Mother were in the lead wagon, Ray in the next wagon, Maud and Allie in the surrey, and the rest of us kids strung out in whatever wagon father thought best. I must have been a smart-alec kid as my sisters tell how Gussie got me to tip my hat to the ladies as we passed and say, 'Good evening, ladies.'
>
> I don't know how long we were on the road but it must have been a hard trip for Mother with a baby only a few months old and me only two. When we arrived at Fayetteville, AR, they lived on a place east of town. The next year Father bought a small place southwest of town where he built a house (with a fireplace), a draught well walled up with native stone, also a barn, chicken-coop, buggy shed and corn crib; he set out a nice orchard of apples, peaches and a big strawberry patch. There were plenty of wild blackberries, so we had

plenty of fruit and berries. Mother canned a lot, when we didn't have fresh, there was still fruit all winter. In the cellar we kept potatoes, both Irish and sweet, and barrels of apples.

Frank wrote much more that is not included here (Be401., Be403.).

FDDCEDCa. Cassa **Maud** Bentley, b 3.28.1876, d 7.20.1908, Fayetteville, AK; m Fayetteville, AK, to Ed Keeler, d 1910; 2 CH: Bernice Keeler and Edna Keeler; DESC:

FDDCEDCaa. Bernice Keeler, b 12.1904, was reared and "adopted" by Alverne and Addie (Rinehart) Bentley, her maternal grandparents. Bernice m Dwight Clark; res (1975): 1010 S. 9th St., Lamar, CO (81092). They adopted one son:

(1) Keith Clark, adopted 4.1.1930, m 4.20.1958, Louise Bever; 3 sons and an adopted dtr:

(1) Rodney Keith Clark, b 3.11.1959.

(2) Dwight Clark, Jr., b 11.11.1962.

(3) Timothy Clark, b 5.21.1965.

(4) Pamelia Lynn Clark, b 9.19.1969 (**Be401.**).

FDDCEDCab. Edna Keeler, b 1907, was reared by her paternal grandmother—Grandma Keeler. Edna m LeRoy Gaydon and they had "8 children" (Be401.), seven of whom were: Gilbert, Bernice, Emmett, Rayma, William E., Ruth, and Mary LaRue Gaydon; DESC:

FDDCEDCabA. Gilbert L. Gaydon, b 4.9.1929, m Quata (----); 5 CH:

FDDCEDCabAa. Marlene **Sue** Gaydon, b 12.23.1956.

FDDCEDCabAc. LeeAnne Gaydon, b 1963.

FDDCEDCabAd. Tanya Gaydon, b 1966.

FDDCEDCabAe. Carolyn Gaydon, b 1968.

FDDCEDCabb. Bernice Ellen ("Goldie") Gaydon, b 12.28.1930, m Wendover, UT, to DeVerle Murphy; 6 CH (birth sequence?):

FDDCEDCabbA. Brent Murphy.

FDDCEDCabbB. Brad Murphy.

FDDCEDCabbc. Vicki Murphy.

FDDCEDCabbD. David Murphy.

FDDCEDCabbe. Dorothy Murphy, m Elvin Rippitor; 2 CH:

FDDCEDCabbea. Melanie Rippitor.

FDDCEDCabbeB. Troy Rippitor.

FDDCEDCabbF. Kelly Murphy, b 6.26.1969.

FDDCEDCabC. Emmett A. Gaydon, b 9.8.1932, m Connie (----); 3 CH:

FDDCEDCabCa. Shauna Gaydon, b 1956.

FDDCEDCabCb. Sandra Gaydon, b 1959.

FDDCEDCabCC. Robert Gaydon, b 1966.

FDDCEDCabd. Rayma Marie Gaydon, b 6.1.1934, m Elmer Wolfly; 5 CH:

FDDCEDCabda. Laura Ann Wolfly, b 1955.

FDDCEDCabdB. Craig Wolfly, b 1953.

FDDCEDCabdC. Dan Wolfly.

FDDCEDCabdd. Kim Wolfly.

FDDCEDCabdE. Ricky Wolfly.

FDDCEDCabE. William E. Gaydon, b 6.27.1936, U.S. Air Force career-man, m Vonnie (----); res (1974): England; 3 CH:

FDDCEDCabEa. Terri Gaydon, b 1963.

FDDCEDCabEB. David Gaydon, b 1962.

FDDCEDCabEc. Julie Gaydon, b 1966 (**Be401.**).

FDDDCEDCabf. Ruth Mae Gaydon, b 9.3.1938, Salt Lake City, UT, m Noel King; 3 CH:

FDDCEDCabfA. Chris King, b 1957.

FDDCEDCabfB. Douglas King, b 1958.

FDDCEDCabfC. Mitchell King, b 1964.

FDDCEDCabg. Mary LaRue Gaydon, b 3.2.1941, Buena Vista, CO, m (----) Bowen. After her parents died, Mary, her sister Ruth, and her brother William ("Ted") were reared by their uncle and aunt, Dwight and Bernice (Keeler) Clark (**Be:FDDCEDCaa.**). Mary and her husband adopted two boys:

(**1**) Alan Bowen, b 1964.
(**2**) Craig Bowen, b 1966 (**Be401.**).

FDDCEDCb. Alice Cary Bentley, b 5.7.1878, Pine Island, WI, d 2.19.1915, Wichita, KS, bur Fayetteville, AK; m 6.8.1899, Fayetteville, AK. Sam Cookson, son of John, b 3.8.1876, MI, d 1.14.1946, Santa Maria, CA. Sam had served in the Civil War as a NY cavalryman, 1863-65; their 5 CH: (a) Addie Maud, (b) Sadie Bernice, (C) Edward Earl, (d) Thelma Genevieve, and (e) Elizabeth Fern Cookson; DESC:

FDDCEDCba. Addie Maud Cookson, b 8.19.1900, Fayetteville, AK, d 12.7.1955, Ypsilanti, MI, m 3.19.1921, Kansas City, MO, Ralph L. Davis, b 1899; 2 CH: Richard and Ronald Davis; DESC:

FDDCEDCbaA. Richard Lane Davis, b 3.21.1924, m **first** Virginia Kantz; one CH:

FDDCEDCbaAa. Victoria Lane Davis, b 9.30.1951, m 4.23.1974, Kalamazoo, MI, James Martin.

Richard Lane Davis m **secondly** 2.20.1970, Ann Arbor, MI, Marihelen Krentz.

FDDCEDCbaB. Ronald William Davis, b 5.21.1926, Ypsilanti, MI, m 6.21.1947, Hazelton, PA, Phyllis L. Pfancook.

FDDCEDCbb. Sadie Bernice Cookson, b 8.18.1902, Fayetteville, m 5.18.1928, Kansas City, MO, Leo Joseph Sullivan; 2 CH: Elizabeth and Teresa; DESC:

FDDCEDCbba. Elizabeth Marie Sullivan, b 5.29.1931, m Kansas City, MO, to William Berg, b 2.27.1931; 4 CH:

FDDCEDCbbaA. William Michael Berg, b 10.23.1955, Kansas City, MO.

FDDCEDCbbab. Kathleen Marie Berg, b 4.25.1957, Kansas City, MO.

FDDCEDCbbac. Debra Elizabeth Berg, 4.25.1961, Kansas City, MO.

FDDCEDCbbaD. Christopher John Berg, b 3.1.1969, Kansas City, MO.

FDDCEDCbbb. Teresa Lane Sullivan, b 9.6.1932, m Joseph David Quinn; 3 CH:

FDDCEDCbbba. Colleen Quinn, b Kansas City, MO.

FDDCEDCbbbB. Martin Leos Quinn, b 4.6.1959.

FDDCEDCbbbc. Bridget Quinn, b 4.9.1961 (**Be401.**).

FDDCEDCbC. Edward Earl Cookson, b and d 1904, bur Fayetteville, AK.

FDDCEDCbd. Thelma Genevieve Cookson, b 10.14.1906, Raton, NM, m 4.14.1928, Kansas City, MO, Edward Joseph L'Ecuyer, Emile's son, d 4.1976; 2 CH: (a) Alice Martha and (b) Suzanne Delia L'Ecuyer; DESC:

FDDCEDCbda. Alice Martha L'Ecuyer, b 4.5.1929, m **first** and div. James Miller; they had one son. He was adopted by her **second** husband Richard C. Overton, by whom Alice had three more CH; DESC:

FDDCEDCbdaA. Brett Miller Overton, b 3.9.1949, m Janeal Roberts. Brett's surname was originally "Miller" but was later "Overton." Their CH:

FDDCEDCbdaAa. Shannon Ranee Overton, b 6.9.1971, Germany.

FDDCEDCbdaAb. Brandi Michelle Overton, b 3.25.1974, Kansas City, MO.

FDDCEDCbdab. Annette Suzanne Overton, b 7.2.1954, m 1973, William M. Calp.

FDDCEDCbdaC. Phillip Michael Overton, b 1.29.1956, Kansas City, MO.

FDDCEDCbdaD. Scott Waldo Overton, b 12.6.1956, Kansas City, MO.

FDDCEDCbdb. Suzanne Delia L'Ecuyer, b 1.26.1932, m 6.8.1951, Patrick Joseph DeCelles; 8 CH:

FDDCEDCbdba. Denise DeCelles, b 3.1.1952, m John Ohrazda, b 1949; one CH:

FDDCEDCbdbaa. Rachele Denise DeCelles, b 2.28.1973.

FDDCEDCbdbb. Teresa Louise DeCelles, b 4.2.1953, ElCentro, CA; m 9.28.1973, John Shockley.

FDDCEDCbdbC. Stephen Patrick DeCelles, b 2.25.1956, Kansas City, MO.

FDDCEDCbdbD. Matthew Joseph DeCelles, b 10.30.1957, McPherson, KS.

FDDCEDCbdbe. Mary Ellen DeCelles, b 7.12.1959, McPherson, McPherson Co., KS.

FDDCEDCbdbF. David Edward DeCelles, b 1.22.1961, McPherson, KS.

FDDCEDCbdbg. Genevieve Marie DeCelles, b 1.6.1965, Kansas City, MO.

FDDCEDCbdbH. Theodore Andrew DeCelles, b 10.5.1966, Kansas City, MO.

FDDCEDCbe. Elizabeth Fern Cookson, b 2.15.1911, Carthage, MO; m **first** 1930, Chicago, IL, William Brown, d 1940; 1 CH:

FDDCEDCbea. Justeen Brown, b 12.20.1931, PA, m 1950, Detroit, MI, to Donald VanDevin; 2 CH:

FDDCEDCbeaA. Jeffrey VanDevin, b 10.9.1953, Detroit, MI.

FDDCEDCbeab. Diane VanDevin, b 12.24.1954, Detroit, MI.

Elizabeth Fern Cookson (Brown) m **secondly** Charles George Innes; twins: Gloria Jean and Charles George Innes; DESC:

FDDCEDCbeb. Gloria Jean Innes, b 4.9.1945, m 1962, Richard Salhany; 2 CH:

FDDCEDCbebA. Richard Charles Salhany, b 5.16.1963, Detroit, MI.

FDDCEDCbebb. Elizabeth Ann Salhany, b 6.23.1964, Detroit, MI.

FDDCEDCbeC. Charles George Innes, Jr., b 4.9.1945, m 2.16.1974, Anntoinette Ochylski.

FDDCEDCC. Orson **Ray** Bentley, b 3.4.1880, d 6.25.1948, m Ella (----); no CH; res was a ranch in CO.

FDDCEDCd. **Gussie** Genevieve Bentley, b 9.23.1882, d 12.10.1957, bur Lamar, Co; m **first** Joseph Hawkins and m **secondly** (----) Usher, no CH (Be401.).

FDDCEDCe. Salome **Jean** Bentley, b 2.25.1885, d 8.12.1921, bur Baker Community, Cimmaron Co., OK; m 1910, Oshusky, OK, **Leroy** Anderson Brown, b 10.23.1883, d 5.13.1973; 3 CH: (A) Kenneth Leroy, (b) Gladys Fern, and (c) Mildred Jean Brown; DESC:

FDDCEDCeA. Kenneth Leroy Brown, b 7.16.1912, d 8.25.1925.

FDDCEDCeb. Gladys Fern Brown, b 12.16.1914, m **first** Roy Henry Trombly, b 1912, d 1934, bur Griggs, OK; 1 CH:

FDDCEDCebA. Jimmy Lee Trombly, b 7.17.1932, d 11.18.1969, bur Colorado Springs, CO, m 1953, LaJunta, CO, Joanne Joyce Hansen; one CH:

FDDCEDCebAA. Craig Eliot Trombly, b 3.1.1967.

Jimmy and Joanne (Hansen) Trombly adopted 2 CH:

(1) Scott Douglas Trombly, b 1961.

(2) Marci Lynn Trombly, b 7.26.1964.

Gladys Fern Brown (Trombly) **(Be:FDDCEDCeb.)** m **secondly** 2.2.1936, Marshall Benjamin Crabtree, b 1908, d 1963, bur Denver, CO; 4 CH:

FDDCEDCebAB. Benjamin Robert Crabtree, b 2.2.1942, m 8.5.1962, Patricia Asmus; res (1975): 1014 Miller Dr., Mineral Wells, TX (76067); 3 CH:

FDDCEDCebABa. Barbara Sue Crabtree, b 5.17.1963.

FDDCEDCebABb. Nancy Jo Crabtree, b 7.26.1965.

FDDCEDCebABC. David Robert Crabtree, b 7.21.1968.

FDDCEDCebAc. Ila Jeanne Crabtree, b 9.25.1945, m William White; res (1975): 4301 Saurini Blvd., Commerce City, CO (80022); 2 CH:

FDDCEDCebAca. LaNeece Marie White, b 1.30.1966.

FDDCEDCebAcb. Renee Kimeko White, b 12.13.1968.

FDDCEDCebAd. Patricia Fern Crabtree, b 1.18.1948, m 11.11.1967, William R. Miller; res (1975): 324 S. Corona St., Denver, CO (80209); one CH:

FDDCEDCebAda. Wendy Ann Miller, b 11.26.1969.

FDDCEDCebAE. Roy Anderson Crabtree, b 9.21.1954; res (1975): 6111 Ivy St., Commerce City, CO (80022).

Gladys Fern Brown (Trombly, Crabtree) **(Be:FDDCEDCeb.)** m **thirdly** 6.1974, Alva Barry; res (1975): 1142 SE Cedar, Dundee, OR (97115) **(Be401.)**.

FDDCEDCec. Mildred Jean Brown, b 11.23.1917, m Charles Wendell Roberts; res (1975): 26501 Whispering Leaves, Newhall, CA; 2 CH: (A) Kenneth and (b) Linda Maria; DESC:

FDDCEDCecA. Kenneth Ray Roberts, b 9.2.1938, m 1965, Mrs. Lorraine (Brand) Larsen; res (1975): 26417 Kalb Court, Newhall, CA; Kenneth's only CH:

FDDCEDCecAa. Kathleen Marie Roberts, b 1.25.1967.

FDDCEDCecb. Linda Marie Roberts, b 9.22.1949, m 1966, Larry Martin; res (1975): 19505 Green Mt. Dr., Newhall, CA (91321); 2 CH:

FDDCEDCecbA. Ronald Alan Martin, b 5.22.1967.

FDDCEDCecbb. Deanna Lorraine Martin, b 3.24.1971.

FDDCEDCF. Oscar **Roy** Bentley, b 1888.

FDDCEDCg. Fannie **Fern** Bentley, b 3.23.1890, WI, d 7.19.1964, bur Fairmount Cem., Lamar, CO. Fern was a school teacher in Billings, MT. Fern had one of the original copies of the genealogy (hand-written) compiled by Russel T. Bentley **(Be:FDDCED.)**. Unfortunately, the copy burned in her MT home. Although she had no CH, she was m twice: (1) (----) Davis and (2) (----) Garrett.

FDDCEDCH. Scott Pierce Bentley, b 12.8.1892, Readstown, WI, d 3.1.1974, San Francisco, CA, where he was postmaster; m Ella Cole; one CH:

FDDCEDCHA. David Bayne Bentley, Lockheed employee, b 5.29.1926, m Hollywood, CA, Beverly Irene Russell, b 10.27.1929; res (1975): 654 Valley View, Redlands, CA; 5 CH:

FDDCEDCHAa. Bonnie Marie Bentley, b 6.13.1954, Burbank, CA.

FDDCEDCHAB. James Scott Bentley, b 9.12.1955 (Be401.).

FDDCEDCHAc. Elizabeth Eve Bentley, b 9.12.1957 (Be401.).

FDDCEDCHAd. Melissa Ann Bentley, b 6.27.1961, San Jose, CA.

FDDCEDCHAE. David Bayne Bentley, b 8.2.1965, San Jose, CA.

FDDCEDCI. Frank Fay Bentley, Alverne's son, b 1.9.1895, Readstown, WI, m Gladys Doane.

Their res (1975): 434 Oakland Ave., Las Animas, CO (81054).

Frank wrote his family history and entitled the manuscript "Bentley Scribblings" (Be403.). An extract which appeared in **As The Twig Is Bent** (Be401.) follows:

> In the fall of 1911, my sister Jean (Bentley) Brown came home for a visit with Mother. Her husband was running a threshing rig in Kansas and after threshing was over he (Roy Brown) came to get her. They lived in Oklahoma and Jean wanted me to go out there with her as Roy wanted to go down into Texas to thresh maize. Roy had a crop which we stacked, then Roy and a friend left for Texas. When winter came that year of 1911-12, it made record breaking weather. Cattle and sheep froze by the thousands all the way from

> Canada to Texas. I had two horses and two cows . . . I had to melt snow for water for them. Roy had some fence posts he intended to fence in more pasture next spring, but before he got back, I had to burn all of them and some of the lumber he had to build more house room.

Frank wrote much more. Ruth (Babington) Schmidt (Be401.) has a copy of his manuscript.

Frank and Gladys had 3 CH—Albert, Evelyn, and Frank; DESC:

FDDCEDCIA. Albert Alverne Bentley, b 9.2.1923, Army Air Force veteran of World War II, m Irene Hogue; both were missionaries in Mexico and South America; 3 CH:

FDDCEDCIAa. Virginia Bentley, b 9.2.1943, m Albuquerque, Bernalillo Co., NM, to Isadore Galleges.

FDDCEDCIAB. Gerald Bentley, b 3.19.1947, m **first** Janeal Ann (----); 1 CH:

FDDCEDCIABa. Tami Marie Bentley, b 1970.

Gerald Bentley m **secondly** Cheryl (-----); res (1975): 5329 Winchester Rd, Albuquerque, NM.

FDDCEDCIAC. Larry Bentley, b 3.16.1950, m (anon. spouse); res (1975): Albuquerque, NM.

FDDCEDCIb. Evelyn Bentley, b 8.18.1930, m Paul Findley, science teacher; res (1975): RR 2 (Box 1205), Roseburg, OR (97470) (Be401.); 3 CH:

FDDCEDCIbA. Douglas Findley, b 8.27.1958.

FDDCEDCIbb. Joyce Findley, b 4.27.1963.

FDDCEDCIbc. Janice Sue Findley, b 3.9.1965.

FDDCEDCIC. Frank **Eugene** Bentley, b 7.17.1935, m Betty Bracken; res (1975): 81 Norman Dr., Security, CO; 3 CH:

FDDCEDCICa. Michele Bentley, b 1960.

FDDCEDCICb. Kathy Bentley, b 1963.

FDDCEDCICc. Deborah Bentley, b 1964.

FDDCEDCJ. Elmer **Earl** Bentley, b 8.22.1896, d 12.31.1973, bur Lamar, CO; m 1934, Josephine Blackford; their 8 CH:

FDDCEDCJA. Bruce Bentley, b 1934, d 1965.

FDDCEDCJB. Robert Ray Bentley, b 6.27.1941, m Linda Smith; 1 CH:

FDDCEDCJBa. Dayma Marie Bentley, b 10.18.1972.

FDDCEDCJC. Edwin Dwight Bentley, b 8.3.1942, m Vicki Buhl; res was Canyon, TX; 2 CH:

FDDCEDCJCA. Karl Dwight Bentley, b 1964.

FDDCEDCJCb. Michele Lynn Bentley, b 5.19.1966.

FDDCEDCJD. Norman Pierce Bentley, b 10.11.1943, m Fay Jackson; res (1975): 122 W. McCullough, Pampas, TX.

FDDCEDCJE. John Allen Bentley, b 6.16.1946, m Esta Mason; res (1975): Amarillo, TX; 3 CH:

FDDCEDCJEA. Troy Allen Bentley, b 2.2.1968.

FDDCEDCJEB. Cary Wayne Bentley, b 5.9.1973.

FDDCEDCJEc. Jody Lee Bentley, b 10.7.1969.

FDDCEDCJF. Richard Wayne Bentley, b 8.24.1947, m Lorri Parker; res (1978): 409 N. 8th St., Lamar, CO.

FDDCEDCJg. Marcella Bentley, b 1.3.1953, m 1972, Ronald Nunnery; res (1975): 902 S. 11th St., Lamar, CO.

FDDCEDCJH. Martin Bentley, b 10.7.1956; res (1975): 701 N. 9th St., Lamar, CO (Be401.).

FDDCEDD. Cary Johnson Bentley, son of Russel Thomas Bentley, b 10.26.1857, d 1.26.1883, from exposure during a blizzard in MN: unmarried.

FDDCEDe. Mary Jane ("Aunt Jennie") Bentley, b 10.29.1861, Dane Co., WI; moved to MN in 1864; m **first** James Probert; no CH. Mary Jane m **secondly** Albert Hutchinson; no CH. She lived most of her married life in Chester, VT. She d 1933, Mazomanie, WI; bur Cassell Cem., Sauk Co., WI.

FDDCEe. Electa Sophrona Bentley, "Daughter" of Thomas, Jr. (Be405.), b 1820, d 1850, m 1845, Worcester, NY, James P. Lincoln; bur near Sun Prairie, WI (Bristol?) (Be400.).

FDDCEf. Barbara Maria Bentley, "Daughter Barbary M." of Thomas, Jr. (Be405.), b 1822, d 1853, Medina, WI (near Sun Prairie); m 1846, Westford, NY, to Ransom Pratt; no CH (Ransom Pratt m again and reared a family) (Be400.; Be398.B.).

FDDCEG. Norman Green Bentley, "Son" of Thomas, Jr. (Be405.), b 1829, Otsego Co., NY, lived in IA, had "some malady" from age 10 y to d 189-, CA; m 1850, Windsor, WI, Clarissa Swain, b 1832, d 1869; 4 CH: (a) Mary Amelia, (B) Frank L., (C) Fred N., and (d) Alta Laura Bentley (Be400.); DESC:

FDDCEGa. Mary Amelia ("Millie") Bentley, b 1851, m 1871, James Ramesbotham; 7 CH (Be400.):

FDDCEGaA. Guy Norman Ramesbotham, b 1873.

FDDCEGab. Eva Alice Ramesbotham, b 1875.

FDDCEGaC. Dell Thomas Ramesbotham, b 1877.

FDDCEGad. May Belle Ramesbotham, b 1879.

FDDCEGae. Edna Pearl Ramesbotham, b 1882.

FDDCEGaf. Maud Myrtle Ramesbotham, b 188-.

FDDCEGaG. Irl Edison Ramesbotham, b 1887.

FDDCEGB. Frank L. Bentley, b 1854, d 1891, Sioux City, IA, "killed by cars" (Be400.) — railroad cars (Be401.).

FDDCEGC. Fred N. Bentley, b 1856 (Be400.); one CH (Be402.):

FDDCEGCa. (anon. dtr) Bentley.

FDDCEGd. Alta Laura Bentley, b 1867; m 1884, Fred M. Jensen; one CH:

FDDCEGdA. Harvey Norman Jensen (Be400.).

Thomas Bentley, Jr. **(Be:FDDCE.)**, son of Thomas, Sr., m **secondly** 1838, Aroa (----) Potter, widow and mother of one of two dtrs, by a previous m, who lived near Rochester, MN. Thomas and Aroa had one CH:

FDDCEh. Amelia Dorleska Bentley, "Daughter" of Thomas, Jr. (Be405.), b 1839, d 1855 ca, ae. 16 y, Prairie du Chien, WI.

FDDCF. Russel Bentley, son of Thomas, Sr., b 4.17.1786 (Be400., Be397.), d 3.22.1872 (Be397.), d 3.2.1872 (Be400.).

According to Russel T. Bentley **(Be:FDDCED.)**, Russel's nephew, in his 1891 "compilation" (Be400.),

> Uncle lived to the good old age of 88 and died the death of the righteous. His body lies in the old churchyard in Maple Valley, where lies his father, his mother and two wives that preceded him in death, and the little children who preceded him, as well as two who have followed, two brothers and their wives are also there now. What a happy group they must be as all of these with other members of the family, gone from Canaan and from South Bend, Indiana; from Joliet, Plainfield and other towns in Illinois; from Green Prairie, Appleton, and places in Wisconsin, from California, Dakota, Nebraska and all the others meet. What a meeting it will be.

Russel, in his **first** of three marriages, m (Be401.) 2.28.1808, Charlotte Webster—dtr of Aaron and Mary (Sheppard) Webster—b 4.9.1789, Wintonbury, Bloomfield Co., CT, d 3.30.1824 (Be404.). Russel and Charlotte ("Charley" or "Charlie") had these six CH: (a) Electa Ann, (b) Almira Charley, (C) Alfred Russell, (D) William Rufus, (e) Elizabeth Ann, and (F) Aaron Webster Bentley; DESC:

FDDCFa. Electa Ann Bentley, b 4.2.1812, Westford, Otsego Co., NY, d 9.24.1813 (Be397.).

FDDCFb. Almira Charley Bentley, twin, b 5.2.1815, Westford, Otsego, NY, d 3.28.1816 (Be397.).

FDDCFC. Alfred Russel Bentley (Be397.); Albert Russel Bentley (Be401.), twin, b 5.2.1815, Westford, Otsego Co., NY; d 6.12.1816 (Be397.).

FDDCFD. William Rufus Bentley, b 3.12.1817, Westford, Otsego Co., NY, m 2.8.1843 (Be397.), Maple Valley, NY (Be401.), to Sarah Ann Roseboom; no CH (Be400., Be397.).

FDDCFe. Elizabeth Ann Bentley, b 3.22.1819, Westford, Otsego Co., NY, m 5.1842, Spencer E. Lake (Be397.). Eliza d 1894 (Be401.). They had at least one CH:

FDDCFeA. (anon. son) Lake, who m and had a son (Be401.):

FDDCFeAA. Duel Lake, res (was) Oneonta, NY (Be401.).

FDDCFF. Aaron Webster Bentley, b 10.19.1822, Westford, Otsego, NY, m 8.26.1849, "Iesinthie" Roseboom (**Be397.**); m Cynthia Roseboom (**Be401.**); their only CH:

FDDCFFa. Sarah Bentley (**Be400.**).

Russell Bentley (**Be:FDDCF.**) m **secondly** Sally Northrup, b 1795, d 1838; no CH (Be401.).

Russell Bentley (**Be:FDDCF.**) m **thirdly** 1839, the mother of Margaret Tinbrook Bentley's (**Be:FDDCGf.**) husband Wilbur Mosier, Mrs. Stephen D. (Phoebe Duel) Mosier, widow, b 4.3.1808, d 9.26.1897 (Be401.); 4 CH: (g) Sarah, (H) Stephen R., (I) Perry, and (J) Philetus Bentley (Be401.). Russell and Phoebe are the ancestors of these DESC:

FDDCFg. Sarah Bentley, b 1840, Bentley Hollow, Town of Westford, Otsego Co., NY, m Harlow Sperry; one CH:

FDDCFgA. Duel Sperry, b 1865.

FDDCFH. Stephen R. Bentley, b 1843, Bentley Hollow, Otsego Co., NY, d 1880, m **first** 1863, later div., his cousin Mary Clarissa Bentley (**Be:FDDCEAa.**).

Their only CH was:

FDDCFHa. Cora Otilla Bentley, b 1865, d 1883, m 1880, Thomas Benton Manzor (Be401.).

Stephen R. Bentley (**Be:FDDCFH.**) m **secondly** Daphne Cook.

FDDCFI. Perry C. Bentley, Baptist minister at New Woodstock, NY, at one time, b 4.3.1842, Bentley Hollow, Westford, Otsego Co., NY, d 5.18.1877, South Valley, NY, by accident when thrown from his carriage by the runaway horse. Perry C. m Flora Brown, d 1928; 2 CH:

FDDCFIA. Roy Bentley.

FDDCFIb. Leta Bentley, m Peter Hoyt.

FDDCFJ. Philetus Peck Bentley, b 10.23.1847, Bentley Hollow, now Maple Valley, Otsego Co., NY, d 12.28.1930, NE; m Elizabeth ("Eliza") Gile. His half-brother Wilber Mosier, b 1834, was reared in the same home;

Wilber was m to Margaret Tinbrook Bentley (**Be:FDDCGf.**); Wilber d 1864, Civil War.

According to a family history prepared in 1973 by Philetus Bentley's granddaughter Irene (Bentley) Sorensen **(Be:FDDCFJAb.)** and printed in **As The Twig Is Bent**, we learn that:

> Philetus Peck Bentley grew up in Bentley Hollow (now called Maple Valley) New York. At age 18, he enlisted in Co. F, at Albany, NY, and served in the Civil War. He returned to Albany and was graduated from New York Normal School. He taught at Worcester and Milford, NY, for six years. He married a school teacher, Eliza Gile, in 1873. In the spring of 1885, they traveled by train from New York to Nebraska, settling at Alma, where he alternately taught school and served as County Superintendent of Harlan County. The Bentleys were members of the Baptist Church. P. P. Bentley was given the Jordon Medal as the oldest Mason of the Masonic Lodge, having been a Mason for 54 years.

Philetus and Elizabeth had 2 CH: (A) Perry Earl and (b) Erma Bentley; DESC:

FDDCFJA. Perry **Earl** Bentley, b 8.6.1877, Worcester, Otsego Co., NY, d 2.4.1960, Trenton, NE; m 1906, NE, Hope Pember, b 11.17.1888, d 1.7.1976; 8 CH: (1) anon. (d inf), (b) Irene, (C) Ray P., (4) anon. (d inf), (e) Berta ("Berta") F., (f) Phyllis E., (g) Barbara R., and (H) Reuel H. Bentley; DESC:

FDDCFJA?. (anon.) Bentley, d inf.

FDDCFJAb. Irene Bentley, b 1.27, 1908, m 1932, Charles Sorensen; res (1975): Shelton, NE; 2 CH: Robert P. and Charlene K. Sorensen. Irene, according to her 1973 report, attended the University of Nebraska, taught school, and worked in the Hitchcock County (NE) Superintendent's Office until she settled down to farm life with her husband in Shelton. Their DESC:

FDDCFJAbA. Robert Paul Sorensen, fieldman for Federal Crop Insurance, b 12.27.1932, m Geraldine George; 4 CH:

FDDCFJAbAA. Kenton Sorensen, b 9.28.1955.

FDDCFJAbAB. Mark Sorensen, b and d 1960.

FDDCFJAbAC. Boyd Sorensen, b 2.26.1961.

FDDCFJAbAd. Maura Sorensen, b 6.18.1968.

FDDCFJAbb. Charlene Kay Sorensen, b 1.5.1939, m 1959, Gary Piel. Charlene worked for a telephone company, is a member of the United Methodist Church, and is also a member of the Grand Island Police Wives organization. Gary is a detective in the Criminal Investigation Division, Grand Island, Hall Co., NE. Their 2 CH:

FDDCFJAbbA. Craig Allen Piel, b 4.19.1960.

FDDCFJAbbb. Lyn Hope Piel, b 7.30.1961.

FDDCFJAC. Ray Pember Bentley, b 12.27.1909, farm manager, m 1935, Colby, KS, Florence Hutchinson; res (1973): Haigler, NE; 1 CH:

FDDCFJACA. Richard Ray Bentley, b 3.10.1945, m Cheryl Gurnsey; res (1973): Haigler, NE; 3 CH:

FDDCFJACAa. Julie Ann Bentley, b 12.13.1966.

FDDCFJACAB. Max Ray Bentley, b 7.3.1968.

FDDCFJACAc. Carole Sue Bentley, b 8.11.1969.

FDDCFJA?. (anon.) Bentley, d inf.

FDDCFJAe. Breta Frances Bentley, b 1.4.1915, d 1.18.1963, in an auto accident; m 1940, John Bowen. They lived one year on a farm at Beverly, NE, before moving to CA to work for the Douglas Aircraft Corp., Long Beach. They had 1 CH:

FDDCFJAeA. Thomas Carroll Bowen, b 1944, d 1959, in a bicycle accident.

FDDCFJAf. Phyllis Eleanor Bentley, b 4.24.1917, m 1954, Las Vegas, NV, Stanley Tomlinson, who was with Bell Telephone Co. for 38 years. Phyllis taught school seven years in Hitchcock Co., NE, before working 26 years for Bell Telephone in Long Beach, CA. Their res (1975): Palos Verdes Estates, CA.

FDDCFJAg. Barbara Ruth Bentley, b 11.30.1919, m 1942, McCook, NE, James McConnell, auctioneer and World War II Navy-veteran, farmer near Trenton, NE; 2 CH: Harold and Mack McConnell; DESC:

FDDCFJAgA. Harold James McConnell, b 6.28.1944, m Shirley Ann McKain; res (1975): farm near Trenton, NE; 2 CH:

FDDCFJAgAa. Valeria Kay McConnell, b 10.25.1972.

FDDCFJAgAB. Robert Paul McConnell, b 11.19.1974.

FDDCFJAgB. Mack Edward McConnell, b 9.20.1945, m Marilyn Hubl; 2 CH:

FDDCFJAgBa. Melanie McConnell, b 4.7.1963.

FDDCFJAgBb. Melissa Kay McConnell, b 2.25.1968.

FDDCFJAH. Reuel Herbert Bentley, b 10.17.1925, m Barbara Dwight of Milton, MA. According to Irene (Bentley) Sorensen (1973) (Be401.), Reuel enlisted in the Navy after high school graduation. After World War II, he was in command of the USS Francis J. Robinson, Ed E220, at Key West, FL. Later he was in charge of the Navy Support Detachment, Barcelona, Spain. He also completed a year as ordnance officer, USNS, Rota, Spain, before completing his naval service as Commander in 1963.

Reuel's wife Barbara has conducted genealogical research in Washington, DC. In 1973, she was the owner and operator of a gift shop in Shelton, NE, their res. Their two CH: (a) Janice H. and Margery D. Bentley; DESC:

FDDCFJAHa. Janice Hope Bentley, b 2.22.1949, m Robert Carlson, M.S. degree at Kearney State College, Education Counselor with the U.S. Air Force, Korat, Thailand (1973); their 3 CH:

FDDCFJAHaA. Robert Reuel Carlson, b 11.23.1971.

FDDCFJAHaB. Seth Aaron Carlson, b 1.9.1973.

FDDCFJAHac. Andrea Hope Carlson, b 8.23.1975.

FDDCFJAHb. Margery Diana Bentley, police officer in Lincoln, NE, b 11.24.1950, m 1971, Daryl Blue, high school teacher in Lincoln, NE, their res (1973).

While stationed with the U.S. Navy in Cuba (1958), Reuel Herbert Bentley (**Be:FDDCFJAH.**) and wife Barbara adopted a three-year old "Spanish boy" (Be401.):

(1) Charles Edward Bentley, whose name was originally Carlos Manuel de Cespedes y Valdez, b ca 1955.

FDDCFJb. Erma Bentley, dtr of Philetus, b 12.29.1880, Otsego Co., NY, m 1912, Wilcox, NE, Ora L. Marsteller, b 1882, d 1931; res (was) Wilcox, NE. Erma, a piano teacher, was graduated from Franklin Academy (music); she was organist for several churches and the Eastern Star. Erma's husband Ora was a school teacher, pharmacist, rural mailman, and bank cashier. They had 2 CH:

FDDCFJba. (anon. dtr) Marsteller, d inf.

FDDCFJbb. Lucile Marsteller, b 6.17.1918, MA degree from Kearney State College, school teacher, and church organist; m 1940, Elwood Knauss; res (1975): Cozad, NE. Their only CH (Be401.):

FDDCFJbbA. Charles Knauss, b 1944, was graduated from California State University, Long Beach, CA.

FDDCG. William Bentley, son of Thomas, Sr., b 2.22.1790 (1791-?), Canaan, Columbia Co., NY; d 2.23.1862, of pneumonia, Maple Valley, Otsego Co., NY, bur Maple Valley, NY; m **first** 1.2.1812, Brachie Dumont, b 1.2.1791, d 9.1.1857, bur Maple Valley, NY. William m **secondly** Dolly (----) Treat, a widow of Westford (the res of her son); no CH by his **second** m. By his **first** wife Brachie, William had 6 CH: (a) Mary Ann, (b) Louisa, (c) Barbara, (d) Brachie, (E) William H., and (f) Margaret Tinbrook Bentley; DESC:

FDDCGa. Mary Ann Bentley, b 3.10.1813, d 1855, of tuberculosis, m 2.11.1833 (Be401., Be402), Maple Valley, NY, Harris T. Slocum; m 2.11.1834, Westford, NY (Be398.); their 9 CH:

FDDCGaa. Helen Eliza Slocum, m unk. spouse; 1 CH:

FDDCGaaa. Althea (unk. surname) (Be401., Be402.).

FDDCGaB. George Edwin Slocum, d of tuberculosis, "a successful businessman" in NY and m "a lady of a good family" (Be401., Be402.). Did he have a family?

FDDCGac. Louisa Slocum, b 1830.

FDDCGaD. William H. H. Slocum, b 1840, d 1844.

FDDCGaE. Duane Slocum, b 1842, d 1844.

FDDCGaf. Sarah Slocum, b 1844.

FDDCGaG. Clarence Slocum, m twice; by **second** wife, one CH:

FDDCGaGa. Fannie Slocum; res (was) Indianapolis, IN (with her mother) (Be401., Be402.).

FDDCGaH. Leslie Slocum, b 1849.

FDDCGaI. Jerome Slocum, b 1852.

FDDCGb. Louisa Bentley, b 1815, d 1838, bur Bentley Hollow Churchyard.

FDDCGc. Barbara Bentley, b 1817, d 1818, scalded to death.

FDDCGd. Brachie Bentley, b 9.11.1820, d 8.22.1880, m Robert "Skinner," a widower; res (was) Sidney, NY (Be401., Be402.); m 6.8.1854, Westford, NY, Robert W. "Skinfer" (Be398.); 2 CH:

FDDCGdA. Carry Skinner or Skinfer (?), b 1855, d 5.2.1866.

FDDCGdB. Dumont Skinner or Skinfer (?), b 1860, d 2.8.1863.

FDDCGE. William H. Bentley, b 11.13.1823, village of Maple Valley, Otsego Co., NY; travelling salesman of farm implements; d 1911; m 9.25.1855, Elizabeth Cummings, a highly educated lady and dtr of Daniel (one of Otsego County's earliest pioneers), b 4.1.1833, Middlefield, Otsego Co., NY, d 1917: 4 CH: (1) (?) (anon.) Bentley, d in "childhood"; (2) (?) (anon.) Bentley, d in "childhood;" (C) William Burdette Bentley, and (D) George R. Bentley.

According to an article appearing in the **Worcester Times**, 8.6.1970 (Be401.), the old Bentley estate in Maple Valley, Town of Westford, was built in 1823 by William Bentley, who lived there until 1856, when his son William H. Bentley occupied the home until 1909. The article further relates:

> During the residence of William, the founder, and William H., Maple Valley grew rapidly into a thriving community. In those early days it had a church, store, school, grange hall, grist mill, a casket factory and other village enterprises. William H. also developed an extensive farm machinery business there. He was the grandfather of the late Harold Bentley of Worcester.

For several periods during the late 19th and early 20th centuries, the Maple Valley Postoffice was located in this home. William H. Bentley was appointed postmaster Feb. 12, 1875, by President U. S. Grant and again on Sept. 18, 1897, by President William McKinley.

William H. and Elizabeth (Cummings) Bentley are the ancestors of these DESC:

FDDCGE?. (anon.) Bentley, d in childhood.

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FDDCGEC. William Burdelle Bentley, Doctor of Philosophy, b 8.8.1866, Maple Valley, Otsego Co., NY, m **first** 12.15.1891, Cambridge, MA, Susan Prescott, d 1923. William m **secondly** ca 1925, Susan's sister Henrietta Prescott.

William was graduated from Phillips Academy (1885) and Harvard University, AB (**Summa Cum Laude**, 1889), AM (1891), and PhD (1898). His first interest at Harvard was the study of Latin and Greek but he became fascinated with chemistry, in which course of study he did his best work. After graduation, he remained at Harvard as a graduate student and assistant receiving the AM degree in 1891. He became an Associate Professor of Chemistry and Physics at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR. While in AR, he completed the necessary research work for the degree of PhD, Harvard, 1898. In 1900, he became Professor of Chemistry at Ohio University at Athens.

In 1936, William wrote his personal sketch (presumably for assimilation by other surviving members of the Class of 1885, Phillips Academy, where he had been a three-year student) of which the following is an extract (**Be402.**, Be401.):

> Soon after coming to Athens, I became a Mason and have had the honor as well as the work of presiding over various bodies of York Rite Masonry. From January 1918 to July 1919, I held a commission as Captain in the Ordinance Department, U. S. Army. I was assigned to the Watertown Arsenal, Watertown, Mass., where I worked on various problems which arose in connection with the work, mostly concerned with foundry problems. This was the only interruption of my teaching until my retirement, 1936.
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> While in Arkansas I succeeded, in spite of limited facilities and restricted time at my disposal, in completing the research work which secured me the degree of Ph.D., an honor which I received at Harvard, 1898. At Ohio University I found the facilities for research work quite as limited as in Arkansas, and, on account of increased responsibilities, time was even less available. It seemed that I must choose between doing the teaching and other departmental duties, as I thought they should be done and going into research as I supposed I should do when I left Cambridge. Without hesitation I gave up the research and even now my decision seems to have been a wise one.

When I came to Ohio University there were 30 students in the Department of Chemistry and one man did all the teaching and was his own assistant. The space devoted to the department consisted of a recitation room, a laboratory, a store room and an office. When I left there were upward of 300 students, 4 men of professional rank, 1 instructor and a half dozen or more assistants, store keepers, mechanics, etc. We occupied two floors and half of the basement of a large building erected for the scientific departments. I do not cite this growth as any sense a personal achievement. I was here while it was taking place. It has been my good fortune to have had a fairly large number of students whose ability, industry and personality qualified them to occupy positions of prominence in various parts of this country.

For reasons which I have never been able to understand, The Marquis Company chose to place my name in **Who's Who**.

Since my retirement I have been living quietly at home. When I began to study Chemistry it was as a science, only slightly more than 100 years old. Organic Chemistry with which I was chiefly concerned was less than 70 years old. In the last 20 years all chemistry except organic, has changed more than through all its preceding history. I have made some effort, none too successful, to understand what was going on. I have undertaken no research work because I have no facilities for such work and probably also lack the contact with research problems which might make it worth while. I have done no writing because I can see no reason why anything which I might write would be of any importance.

Aside from personal matters, my thinking has been largely concerned with the serious problems which confront our people at this time. It seems a terrible thing that when the developments of science and invention have so much to offer humanity, making life easier and more worth living, gangs of muchers, international racketeers, should be able to imperil all civilization. They have not, they can not, destroy civilization but they can and have, set it back many years. They can and have, caused mass human suffering which exceeds anything that has happened during the entire history of the world. We shall have cause for much additional pride in our country if it follows the great leaders in contributing vital assistance in subduing these international criminals.

William Burdelle Bentley (**Be:FDDCGEC.**) and his **first** wife Susan Prescott had 2 CH: (A) William Prescott Bentley and (B) Harold Jackson Bentley; DESC:

FDDCGECA. William Prescott Bentley, b 1894, Fayetteville, AR (the likely place), metallurgist (one year at Harvard), who worked with various automobile companies in Detroit, MI; d 1926, Bay City, MI, m (unk spouse); 2 CH:

FDDCGECA?. (anon.) Bentley.

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FDDCGECB. Harold Jackson Bentley, agent for Metropolitan Life Ins. Co., b 8.8.1897, Fayetteville, AR (likely place); d 12.23.1965; m 2.21.1925, Emma Roseboom, a former school teacher, d 3.1969; res (1936); Worcester, NY; 4 CH: (A) Richard, (b) Millicent, (C) Thomas, and (D) Granville; DESC:

FDDCGECBA. Richard Garrett Bentley, b 12.8.1925, d 1956, farm accident; m Cora Pardee; 3 CH:

FDDCGECBAA. William Bentley.

FDDCGECBAb. Deborah Bentley.

FDDCGECBAc. Gracia Bentley.

FDDCGECBb. Millicent Ann Bentley, b 2.23.1927, m Clinton Edward Lawrence, doctor; res (1975): Warrensburg, NY; 3 CH:

FDDCGECBba. Susan Lawrence.

FDDCGECBbB. Clinton Edward Lawrence III.

FDDCGECBbc. Elizabeth Ann Lawrence.

FDDCGECBC. Thomas Prescott Bentley, engineer for Dupont, son of Harold, b 5.6.1929, m Arlene Bonitz; res (1975): Wilmington, DE; 6 CH:

FDDCGECBCA. Gregory Bentley, "presidential scholar," 1973.

FDDCGECBCB. Barry Bentley, "presidential scholar," 1974.

FDDCGECBCC. Richard Bentley.

FDDCGECBCD. Keith Bentley.

FDDCGECBCE. Raymond Bentley.

FDDCGECBCf. Cynthia Bentley.

FDDCGECBD. Granville Charles Bentley, b 3.9.1932, has preserved a copy of the 1891 **Record of the Bentley Family**, genealogical manuscript by Russel T. Bentley. He has updated the work and has shared the compilation with Ruth (Babington) Schmidt (1975) (Be401.). He d 9.21.83, plane acc.

In a letter to this searcher, Ruth (Babington) Schmidt **(Be:FDDCEDAdb.)** wrote:

> In 1977, I visited New York state and found the graves of Thomas Sr. and Barbara (Vaughn) Bentley and many of his descendants. I visited the farms they settled . . . stayed with Cdr. Granville Bentley's family at Worcester in the heart of the old Bentley settlement . . . Cdr. Bentley has kept the best records of the family, having lived in the familiar locations. He has the names and legends handed down through the generations.

In addition to her visit with Granville, Ruth met and visited in Westford, NY, an octogenarian named Louis Holmes who was a wealth of local-history information.

Granville was Commanding Officer of the U.S. Naval Recruiting Stations at Troy, Albany, and Scotia, NY (1975). He was m in Worcester, NY, to Winifred Bailey, who later became a school-board member in Worcester; res (1978): 20 Solar Bluff, Worcester, NY (12197). Their three CH:

FDDCGECBDA. Brett Richard ("Dick") Bentley.

FDDCGECBDB. Daniel Garrett Bentley.

FDDCGECBDc. Rebecca Ann Bentley, b Naples, Italy.

FDDCGED. George R. Bentley was the manager of his father's estate in Maple Valley, Otsego Co., NY, b 7.5.1870, d 1.1937. He received a commercial education at Albany Business College, NY. He was m in 1890 to Hannah Smith of Richmondville, Schoharie Co., NY, b 5.9.1871, d 1940; no CH.

FDDCGf. Margaret Tinbrook Bentley, William's dtr, b 8.22.1826, was reared in Bentley Hollow. She was disinherited because she married against her mother's will; her father, however, a skillful carpenter, built a house for her in Bentley Hollow. She d 11.5.1913, from injuries received in a fall. In 1856, she was m in Maple Valley, NY, to Wilber Mosier, Stephen's son (and son of the third wife of Russel Bentley), b 1830, d 1864.

During the Civil War, Wilber enlisted in the Union Army as a sgt. in Company G., Cambridge. He was commissioned a second lieutenant, 93rd Regiment of NY State Volunteers on 7.20.1863. His granddaughter Leta (Crocker) Braun **(Be:FDDCGfca.)** related,

> He fought in the Battle of Spottsylvania. When the flagbearer was shot down, Lieut. Mosier grabbed up the flag before it hit the ground and moments later was shot himself. He died in a rebel hospital in Gordonsville, VA, during an operation to remove a bullet.

All Margaret had, as a widow with 3 CH, was "a cow, a few chickens, a garden and a $15-a-month pension. She worked for other people and raised her children alone." Margaret and Wilber had these 3 CH: (A) Lee Hadley Mosier, (b) Ella Phoebe Mosier, and (c) Marian DeEtte Mosier; DESC:

FDDCGfA. Lee Hadley Mosier, school teacher, attended Colgate Theological School, d 1919, bur Burma (SE Asia), where he had been a missionary (Be402., Be401.). He m **first** Sarah Griffith, a missionary, d 1891. He m **secondly** 1893, Bithia Wepf (also Weft), missionary, d 1904, cancer, bur Bentley Hollow Cem, Otsego Co., NY. He m **thirdly** 1905, Julia Wepf (also Weft) (Bithia's sister) of Columbus, WI, d 1944, Seattle, WA. Lee H. Mosier had no CH by any of the three marriages.

FDDCGfb. Phoebe **Ella** Mosier, former teacher, b 1857, d 8.13.1937; m Arzello Sisum, d 1930, of gangrene; 2 CH: (A) Ernest and (b) Vivian Sisum; DESC:

FDDCGfbA. Ernest Lee Sisum, b 1890, d 1927, m Gertrude Knapp; one CH (only?):

FDDCGfbAA. Ernest Winston Sisum, b 1920, World War II veteran, operated a garage in Worcester, NY; m Cora Fancher.

FDDCGfbb. Vivian Sisum, d 2.8.1969, m **first** Karl Allen; 2 CH:

FDDCGfbb?. (anon.) Allen.

FDDCGfbb?. (anon.) Allen.

Vivian Sisum m **secondly** (anon.) Reynolds; 1 CH:

FDDCGfbb?. (anon.) Reynolds.

FDDCGfc. Marian DeEtte Mosier, b 1860, school teacher, d 1938, flu; m **first** George Crocker, blacksmith, d 1900; 1 CH:

FDDCGfca. Leta Crocker, b 1896; res (1975): 6 W. Madison Ave., Johnstown, Fulton Co., NY (12095) (Mrs. Leta Braun). Leta m **first** (of 3 m), 1914, cheesemaker Floyd Baldwin, from whom she separated after bearing these 2 CH: (A) Norman and (b) Marion Baldwin; DESC:

FDDCGfcaA. Norman Baldwin, b 1915, d 1919. Leta wrote to Ruth (Babington) Schmidt (Be401.):

> In 1919, there were very few cars but on my day off Norman, age 4, asked for a nickel to get candy at the store directly across the street. I watched him go safely but just as he started back a drunken driver ran him down. Norman was dead on arrival at the hospital so I took him back to Westford for burial.

After Leta returned to Washington, she worked for the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

FDDCGfcab. Marian Louise Baldwin, b 3.13.1917, m 1934, Stephen Braun, twin brother of her step-father Alvin Braun. They farmed and lived on the original "Thomas Bentley farm" in Bentley Hollow until 1962. Stephen drove the school bus for 23 years. He made maple syrup for sale. He was Worshipful Master of the Masonic Lodge in 1971; Marian was Grand Matron of the Eastern Star of the Otsego-Schoharie District in 1969. Their 3 CH: (a) Barbara, (b) Loretta, and (c) Gloria Braun; DESC:

FDDCGfcaba. Barbara Peggy Braun, b 6.4.1935, m 10.9.1954, Robert Barton; 3 CH:

FDDCGfcabaa. Cheryl Barton, b 3.24.1956.

FDDCGfcabaB. Stephen Ernest Barton, b 9.16.1958.

FDDCGfcabac. Corrine Ann Barton, b 1.26.1961.

FDDCGfcabb. Loretta Marion Braun, counselor (drug and alcohol) for Department of State, former high school and college teacher, b 10.3.1937, m 12.5.1959, Robert Bostwick of Cooperstown Junction, Otsego Co., NY; res (1975): Grandview, MO; 2 CH:

FDDCGfcabba. Lisa Barbara Bostwick, b 4.16.1961.

FDDCGfcabbb. Sheila Renee Bostwick, b 4.13.1964.

FDDCGfcabc. Gloria Myrlea Braun, b 7.14.1939, m 8.31.1957, George Bozanic; both are college physical education teachers, NY; 4 CH:

FDDCGfcabca. Suzette Marie Bozanic, b 8.29.1958.

FDDCGfcabcB. Brett Eric Bozanic, b 8.19.1962.

FDDCGfcabcC. Brad Aron Bozanic, b 8.9.1964.

FDDCGfcabcD. Brian George Bozanic, twin, b 8.9.1964.

Leta Crocker (**Be:FDDCGfca.**) m **secondly** 1922, div. 1933, George Nesselrotte; res (then): Akron, OH, where Leta was an employee for Firestone Rubber Co.; no CH.

Leta Crocker m **thirdly** 7.26.1933, and was separated from, Alvin Braun, a high-tension-line man, twin brother of Stephan Braun, husband of her dtr Marian Baldwin (**Be:FDDCGfcab.**); one CH:

FDDCGfcaC. Myrl Erskine Braun, b 1934, m **first** and div. Marion Coons; m **secondly** Leona (----) Blowers, widowed mother of Myrl's three step-daughters. Myrl, a medic in the Korean Conflict, was medically discharged because of a disability resulting from having stepped on a land mine which exploded.

Marian DeEtte (Mosier) Crocker (**Be:FDDCGfc.**), Leta's mother, m **secondly** 1902, Erskine Acker, and "eked out a living in the old home in Bentley Hollow" while assuming responsibility for taking care of her widowed mother, Margaret Tinbrook (Bentley) Mosier (**Be:FDDCGf.**). Erskine d 1943, Oneonta hospital, from burns received during the fire in his Westford home.

FDDCh. Barbara Bentley, b 1801, d 1878, dtr of Thomas, Sr., m John Mead (Be400.).

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Subsubline IV.DD. Samuel, Be:FDDD.

FDDD. SAMUEL BENTLEY, SR. (VII.25.), b 1.4.1746, Exeter, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, New England, "son of Benjamin (Jr.)[1] and Sarah" (Exeter 1:201) (Be21B.); and brother of Caleb Bentley, **et al** (Be21B.) (Be34B.3.). According to his Upper Canada Land Petition for acreage in Markham (York Co., Ontario) on August 18, 1800, he was a "blacksmith and scythe-maker" who was a "steady Loyalist" during the American Revolution (Be15E.). For a time (probably of very short duration) he lived in Clinton Twp., Lincoln Co., Niagara District, Upper Canada (now Ontario, Canada) before obtaining Lot 3 of Con. 5 (200 acres, patent 11.17.1808) (Be16A,C.).

In 1800, his "wife" was mentioned, but her name was not given. SAMUEL'S "known" children were identified from the information on SAMUEL'S petition for land and on that for his son Ira (Be15D,E):

(1) **"REUBEN" BENTLEY** (VI.13.), one of three sons named;

(2) **"Elijah" Bentley,** the second of three sons named;

(3) **"Ira" Bentley,** the third of three sons named;

(4) **"Joseph Plumb,"** the first of two sons-in-law named; name of SAMUEL'S daughter **not** given;

(5) **"Moses Bamford,"** the second of two sons-in-law named; name of his wife, SAMUEL'S daughter, **not** mentioned; and

(6 and 7) ". . . to return for the remainder of His family . . . **a wife and two younger Children."**

A complete copy of **Upper Canada Land Petition (RG-1, L-3, Volume 32, B5/92 (Reel C-1621)** follows for **SAMUEL BENTLY, Be:FDDD. (Be15.E.).**

> **To His Excellency Peter Hunter Esqr, Lt. Governor of the Province of Upper Canada &c &c &c In Council — The Petition of Samuel Bentley — Blacksmith & Scythe maker--**Humbly sheweth
>
> **That your Petitioner is lately come into the Province, with three Sons Reuben, Elijah, & Ira Bentley — with their families — also two Sons in Law — Joseph Plumb & Moses Bamford — who have not their families in their Province — and that your Petitioner is about to return for the remainder of His family consisting of a wife & two younger Children. Your Petitioner shewed himself a steady Loyalist during the American War.**
>
> Your petitioner therefore prays your Excellency — for a grant of 200 acres of Land on Yonge Street, or in the Township of Markham — **or an appriation of 200 acres each for himself and his two Sons in**

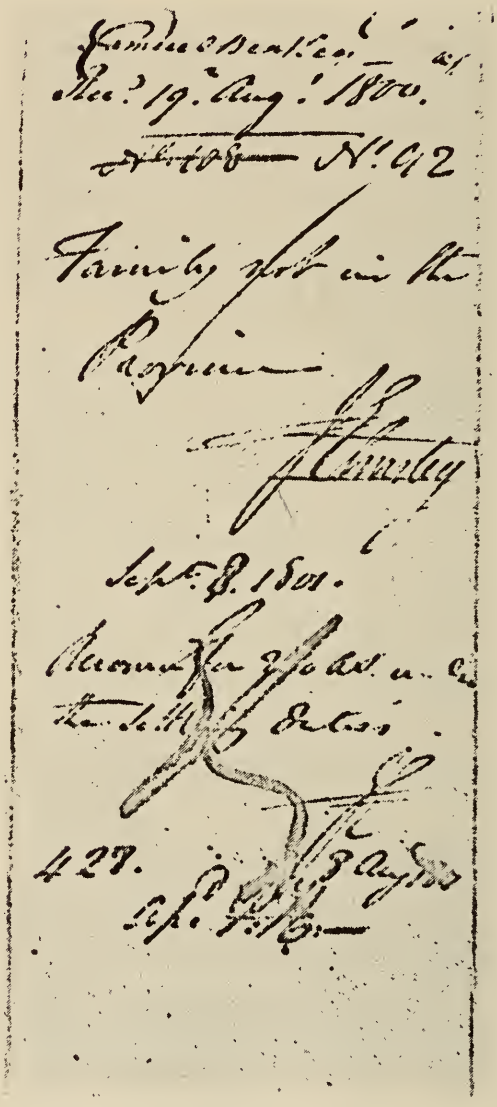
[1]"Jr." refers to the fact that another Benjamin Bentley older than his father lives in Exeter also (Benjamin's uncle). Benjamin's father was Thomas, son of William.

Law for Six months — so that they may settle together, and your petitioner as in duty bound shall ever pray

York, 18 August, 1800 **Samul Bently** (signature)

Petition cover:

Samuel Bentley — Rec. 19. Aug. 1800. No. 92. Family not in the Province J. Elmsley (?) (signature) Sept 8, 1801, Recommended for 200 a's under the Settling duties. 427. Ap'd 8 Aug. 1801.[1]



Written above the signature of **William Bentley (Be:FDDAC.), in his petition for land (Be15B.) on 11.24.1801**, was the information:

(1) ". . . **Markham where his uncle and other relations reside,**"

(2) he has "**five children,**" and

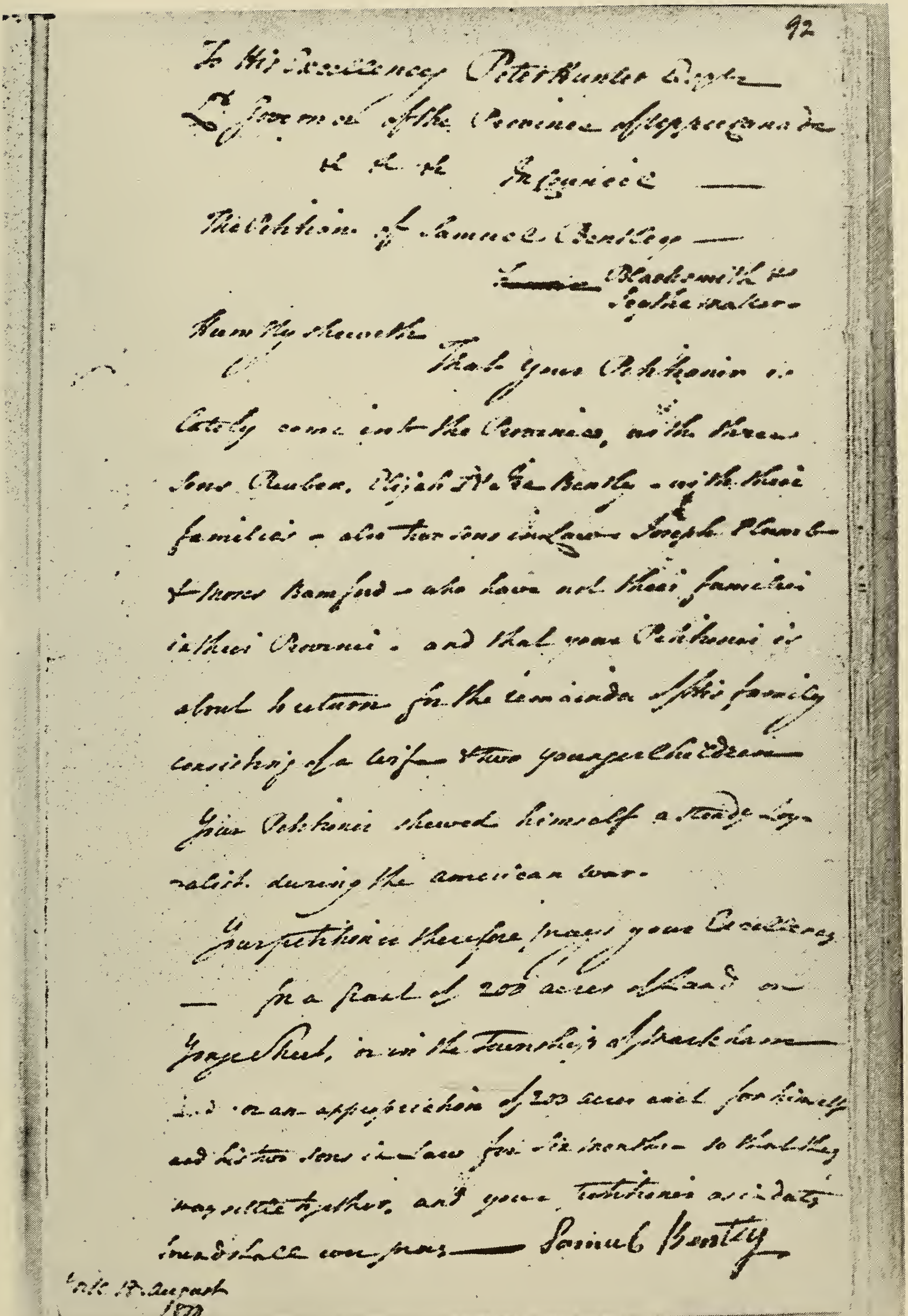
(3) ". . . **his wife having died about two months ago.**"

In written testimony identifying **SAMUEL BENTL(E)Y (Be:FDDD.), Isaac Bentley (Be:FDDAEG.)**, in 1861 **(Be34.B.3.)**, declared that his own father was **Isaac**, son of **Caleb**. In referring to his grandfather **Caleb**, Isaac related, **"Of my grandfather's brothers, Samuel settled in Canada . . ."**

Whom SAMUEL married and when and where they lived and died are secrets that have remained undisclosed. For certain is the fact that many of his descendants live today throughout North America, some of whom have been identified and their names recorded here. Certain we are that he is the son of BENJAMIN the son of THOMAS the son of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y OF KINGS TOWNE, COLONY OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS, NEW ENGLAND, BORN IN AMPTHILL, BEDFORDSHIRE, ENGLAND. Primary documentary evidence of this lineage has been located and reproduced in this book.

SAMUEL BENTLEY (**Be:FDDD.**) had a grandson named Samuel Bentley Bamford (**Be:FDDDdB.**), b 10.23.1808, Geneseo, Genesee Co., NY (Be46.). Was grandfather SAMUEL BENTLEY the same "Samuel Bentley"

[1]Courtesy of the Public Archives of Canada.



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To His Excellency Peter Hunter Esqr
Lt Governor of the Province of Upper Canada
&c &c &c In Council —

The Petition of Samuel Bentley —
~~Farmer~~ Blacksmith & Scythe maker —

Humbly sheweth

That your Petitioner is lately come into the Province, with three sons Reuben, Elijah & Wm. Bentley — with their families — also two sons in Law Joseph Plumb & Moses Bamford — who have not their families in this Province — and that your Petitioner is about to return for the remainder of his family consisting of a wife & two younger children — Your Petitioner shewed himself a steady Loyalist during the american war.

Your petitioner therefore prays your Excellency — for a grant of 200 acres of Land on Yonge Street, or in the Township of Markham — and for an appropriation of 200 acres each for himself and his two sons in Law for six months — so that they may settle together, and your Petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray — Samuel Bentley

York 17 August
1800

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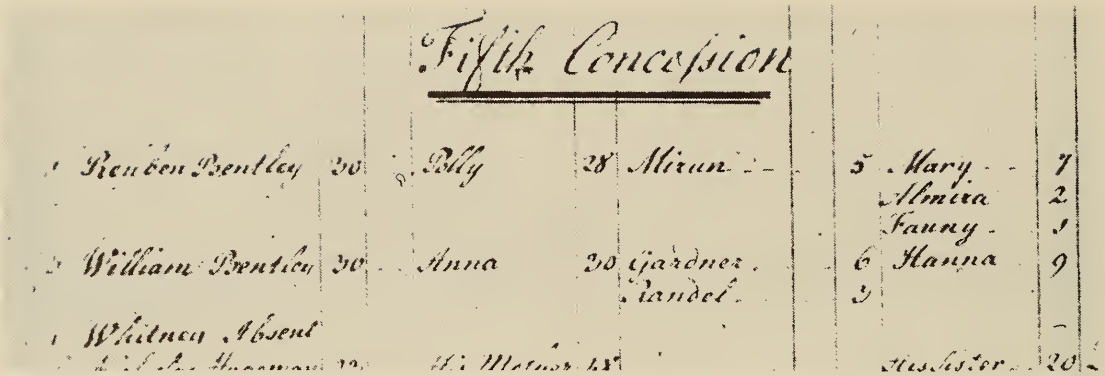

Fifth Concession

1	Reuben Bentley	30	Polly	28	Miriam	5	Mary	7
							Almira	2
							Fanny	1
2	William Bentley	30	Anna	30	Gardner Sandel	6	Hanna	9
						3		
1	Whitney Absent							

Families of Cousins REUBEN BENTLEY, Be:FDDDA., and William Bentley, Be:FDDAC., enumerated in the "Berczy Census Report of 1804 for Markham." Courtesy of the Public Archives of Canada.

who moved in 1810, to Conesus, Livingston Co., NY, from the Ganung farm north of Canadice Corners (1809)? This information is according to a printed history of that area (see Appendix E, "Badg(e)ro(w)s").

Tentative sequence of births of SAMUEL'S CH: (**A**) REUBEN, (**b**) Deborah, (**C**) Elijah, (**d**) anon. dtr, (**E**) Ira, (**F**) Samuel, Jr., and (**g**) anon. dtr. SAMU(E)L BENTL(E)Y'S wife's name is unknown by this searcher at present (1979). SAMUEL'S death date and burial place and those of his son REUBEN are likewise unknown. One of his grandsons, Samuel Bentley Bamford, wrote that one of his grandfathers (not indicating which one) was living at the age of 114 years. Providing that the grandfather is SAMUEL and that his death date can be verified or documented, our ancestor then would be a candidate for the **Guiness Book of Records** for the longest life ever documented in North America![1] SAMUEL'S identified DESC:

FDDDA. REUBEN BENTLEY (VI.13.), SAMUEL'S son (Be15E., Be15C.), b ca 1773, m POLLY ----, b ca 1775 (Be13A.). In his father SAMUL'S (*sic*) Upper Canada Land Petition of 8.18.1800, for land in Markham, REUBEN BENTLEY is named as one of SAMUEL'S three sons (with "their families") (Be15E.). In his own Upper Land Petition of 8.18.1800, for land in Markham, REUBEN BENTLEY states that his father is "SAMUEL BENTLEY" and that he himself "has a wife and two children..." (Be15C.).

In the Berczy Census Report of 1804, Markham (now Markham Twp, York Co., Ontario, Canada) (Be13A.), REUBEN BENTLEY, age 30, is named as the inhabitant of Lot 1 in Concession 5, Markham Twp, Old York County. Members of his family were identified as his wife POLLY, age 28,

[1] In 1980 there were at least 14,000 people in America who were more than 100. According to one longevity researcher, long life results from a combination of factors including genetics, environment (high-altitute farmland), diet (essentially vegetarian), regular physical exercise, moderate alcohol consumption, regular sexual activity, and the right psychological attitude (expecting old age and controlling one's own life accordingly).

and four children named Mary Bentley, age 7; MIRUN BENTLEY, age 5; Almira Bentley, age 2; and Fanny Bentley, age 1.

REUBEN received 200 acres of land as a Crown Grant (Be16B). On the record for the Deed to Lot 1 of Con. 5, three dates appear: (1) 19 August 1800, (2) 1805, and (3) 12 February 1815 (Be16A., Be16B.). Accompanying the 1805 date is the information "REUBEN BENTLEY and wife (Milliken) to James Osburn, 1805, 200 acres" (Be16B.).

The preceding evidence is the last documentation that this searcher has of REUBEN BENTLEY. The name "Milliken" enclosed within parentheses on the record likely pertains to the location of the lot near to the village of Milliken (P.O.) and **not** to a surname for POLLY. This family is believed to have left Markham (date?).

A complete copy of **UC Land Petition 54b.** follows for **REUBEN BENTL(E)Y, Be:FDDA. (Be15.C.).**

To His Excellency Peter Hunter Esqr, L't Governor of the Province of Upper Canada — &c &c &c

The Petition of Reuben Bentley — Humbly sheweth, **That your Petitioner is lately come into the province with his Father Samuel Bentley, two Brothers & their families — and 2 brothers in Law — and that Your Petitioner has a Wife and two Children & a Prentice Lad, 18 years of age —** that Your Petitioner desirous to obtain & settle Land in the province; humbly prays your Excellency for a grant of 200 Acres on Yonge Street, or Markham; and your Petitioner as in duty bound shall ever pray—

York, 18. August 1800 **Reuben Bentley** (signature)

54a. Reg. of 6 July 1804 — Receiver General's Office, 12 Feb. 1805.

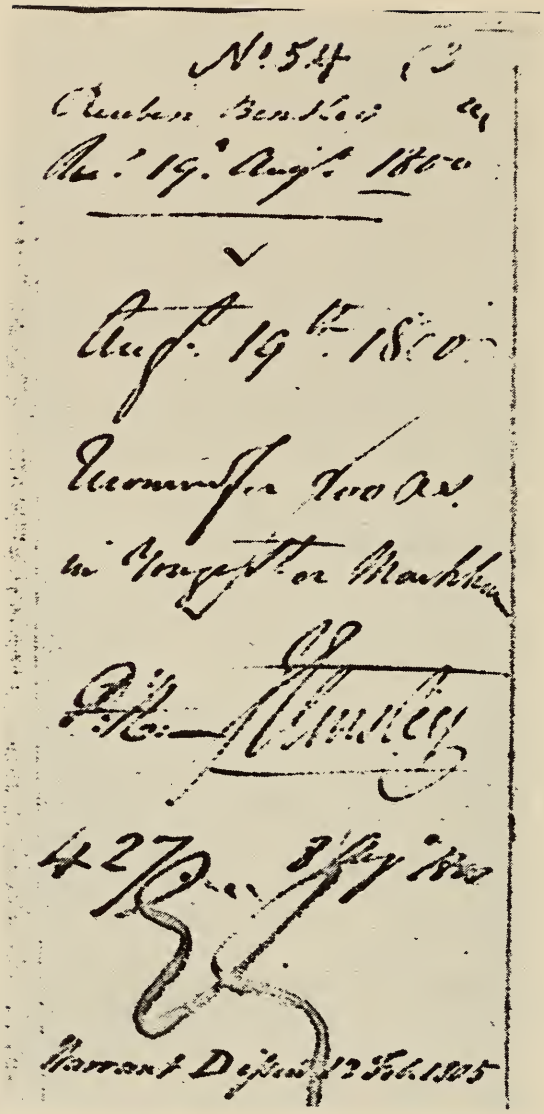
Reuben Bentley has paid into this office Five Pounds and one Pound nineteen and four pence Ster. Being the Items for according to Table of 6 July 1804 — for a grant of 200 Acres ordered him in Council 19: August 1800 — but not located before — also one Pound Seven Shillings & Six pence Cur. for the Surveying fees thereon

To The Clerk of the E. Council

Peter Russell (signature)
Receiver General

Petition Cover:

Reuben Bentley, Rec. 19. Aug't 1800, No. 54. Aug't 19th 1800. Recommend for 200 A's in Yonge St. or Markham (signed apparently by J. Elmsley). 427, 8 Aug't 1801. Warrant D issued 12 Feb. 1805.



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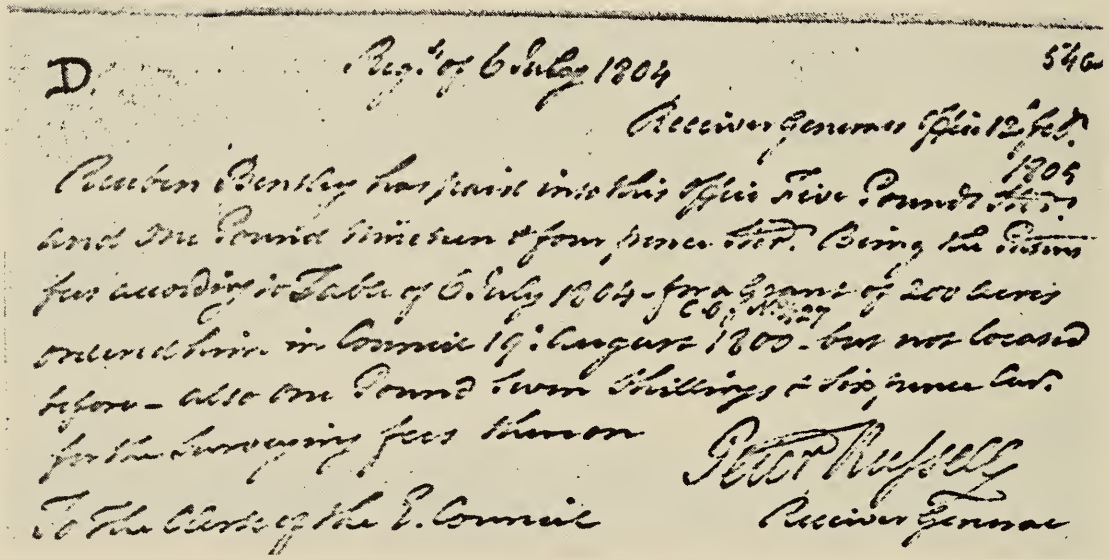

Be:

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To His Excellency Peter Hunter Esqr
Lt. Governor of the Province of Upper
Canada — &c &c &c

The Petition of Reuben Bentley —

Humbly sheweth; That your Petitioner
is lately come into the province with his
Father Samuel Bentley, two Brothers & their
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Your Petitioner has a Wife and two Children
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Your Petitioner desirous to obtain & settle
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Petitioner as in duty bound shall ever pray —

Reuben Bentley

Yorke 18. August
1806

Courtesy of the Public Archives of Canada.

Apparently REUBEN and POLLY had at least four children. Somewhere there may be records of additional offspring. As of 1804, the known children were: Mary, Mirun (Miron), Almira, and Fanny Bentley (Be13A.).

FDDDAa. Mary Bentley, b ca 1796 (Be13A.).

FDDDAB. MIRON BENTLEY (V.7.); "Mirun Bentley," b ca 1798, son of REUBEN BENTLEY (Be13A.); d January 19, 1844, at the age of 45 years (tombstone inscription), bur in the Burial Ground of the Christian Meeting House at Brougham, Pickering Twp, Ontario Co., Ontario, b ca 1798. This searcher visited the Burial Ground on two different trips in the 1960's. In 1911, Rev. William R. Wood wrote in **Past Years in Pickering** that "MIRON BENTLEY was born in 1798 and came to Canada when a young man. He married HANNAH BADGEROW. Their daughter, Mrs. William Hubbard, born in 1829 still lives in Brougham. MIRON BENTLEY died in 1844 and his wife in 1885" (Be17. and Be18.). MIRON BENTLEY ("Merum Bentley") was m January 7, 1823, to HANNAH BADGEROW, with the Rev. William Jenkins of the Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church officiating (Be12A.).

According to Mrs. Alfred (Ethel Maud Wilson) Hamilton of Brougham, Ontario, in an interview with this searcher (a cousin **via** HANNAH

BADGEROW'S second marriage to WILLIAM SARLES—also his second marriage), Mrs. Nina (Bentley) Sheppard, dtr of Lafayette Bentley and granddaughter of James L. Bentley, had always contended that all of the Bentleys named in Rev. Wood's book were related. This was later confirmed by Nina in her letter to this searcher in 1977. It has been shown that James L. Bentley was the son of Nathan Bentley the son of Caleb Bentley of West Greenwich, RI, b Exeter, RI Colony. **Caleb Bentley** and MIRON BENTLEY'S grandfather **SAMUEL BENTLEY** have been shown to be brothers. Both Caleb's son William Bentley and Caleb's brother, William's uncle, SAMUEL BENTLEY lived for a time in Markham, having petitioned for Upper Canada land in 1801 and 1800, respectively.

MIRON BENTLEY wrote his **Last Will and Testament** on December 13, 1843 (Be11.), just over a month before he passed on. MIRON'S son William H. Bentley wrote his **Will** on August 23, 1866 (Be5.). In the two **Wills** the names of the children of MIRON BENTLEY and HANNAH BADGEROW appear.

The many **known** descendants of MIRON BENTLEY (**V.7.**) and his wife HANNAH BADGEROW (**V.8.**) (see **Ba:Aa.**) are properly identified in the "Badgerow Family Group." Descendants of MIRON BENTLEY'S granddaughter SARAH ELIZABETH SARLES (**III.2.**) **(Be:FDDDABec. and Ba:Aaec.)** appear in the documented enumeration of the "Stewart Family Group" for SARAH'S husband JOHN "C." STEWART (**III.1.**) (see **St.:ABC.**). The reader may wish to refer to the "Bentley Family Roll" for a trace of the direct descendants and/or ancestors only. The roll is composed of the names of the direct descendants of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y of Kingstown, Rhode Island Colony, and the corresponding code letters for each classified descendant.

MIRON and HANNAH (BADGEROW) BENTLEY had these 7 CH: (1) Albert, (2) Martinas, (3) Mary, (4) Simpson, (5) ALMIRA HANNAH BENTLEY (Be196.B.), (6) Frances (Fanny) (Be196.A.), and (7) William H. Bentley; selected DESC (see Bentley Roll for names of all known descendants):

FDDDABA. Albert Bentley (also Ba:AaA.), b ca 1824, m Sibbey, b ca 1833, both members (1851) of the Christian Church; res (1851): Uxbridge Twp, Ontario Co., Ontario (Be180.). Albert was named as a son of MIRON BENTLEY in MIRON'S **Will** (Be11.). Albert Bentley and Sibbie Sarles ("Sorrels") were m 10.16.1848, Whitby, Ontario, by Rev. Robert Barrie (Be10.A.). Sibbie or Sibbey Sarles (Sa:CDg. and Sh:Aeg.) was the dtr of WILLIAM SARLES, JR. and EUNICE SHARRARD, and a sister of JOHN SARLES who married Albert's sister ALMIRA BENTLEY. This searcher has **not** been able to locate any living descendant of this couple. Albert and Sibbey both b Canada (Be182.), appeared to have had at least these four CH:

FDDDABAA. Miron Bentley; "Morrison" Bentley, age 1 (1851 CR) (Be180.); "Miren" "Bently," age 10 (1861 CR) (Be182.), b Uxbridge.

FDDDABAB. William Bently, age 7 (1861 CR), b Uxbridge (Be182.).

FDDDABAC. Luther Bently, age 4 (1861 CR), b Uxbridge (Be182.).

FDDDABAd. Phebe Bently, age 1 (1861 CR), b Uxbridge (Be182.).

FDDDABB. Martinas Bentley, b after his brother Albert, both sons of MIRON BENTLEY. Martinas was referred to in MIRON'S **Will** as MIRON'S **second son** (Be11.), although the age of Martinas as stated in the 1861 CR would, if correct, make him appear to be older (Be181.). According to this same 1861 CR, his birthplace was the "U. S." and his wife was named Sarah.

FDDDABc. Mary Bentley (see **Ba:Aac.**), b 9.28.1829, m William Webb Hubbard. Their res was Brougham, Pickering Twp., Ontario Co., Ontario. Their known DESC are identified in the Badgerow Family Group (**Ba:**).

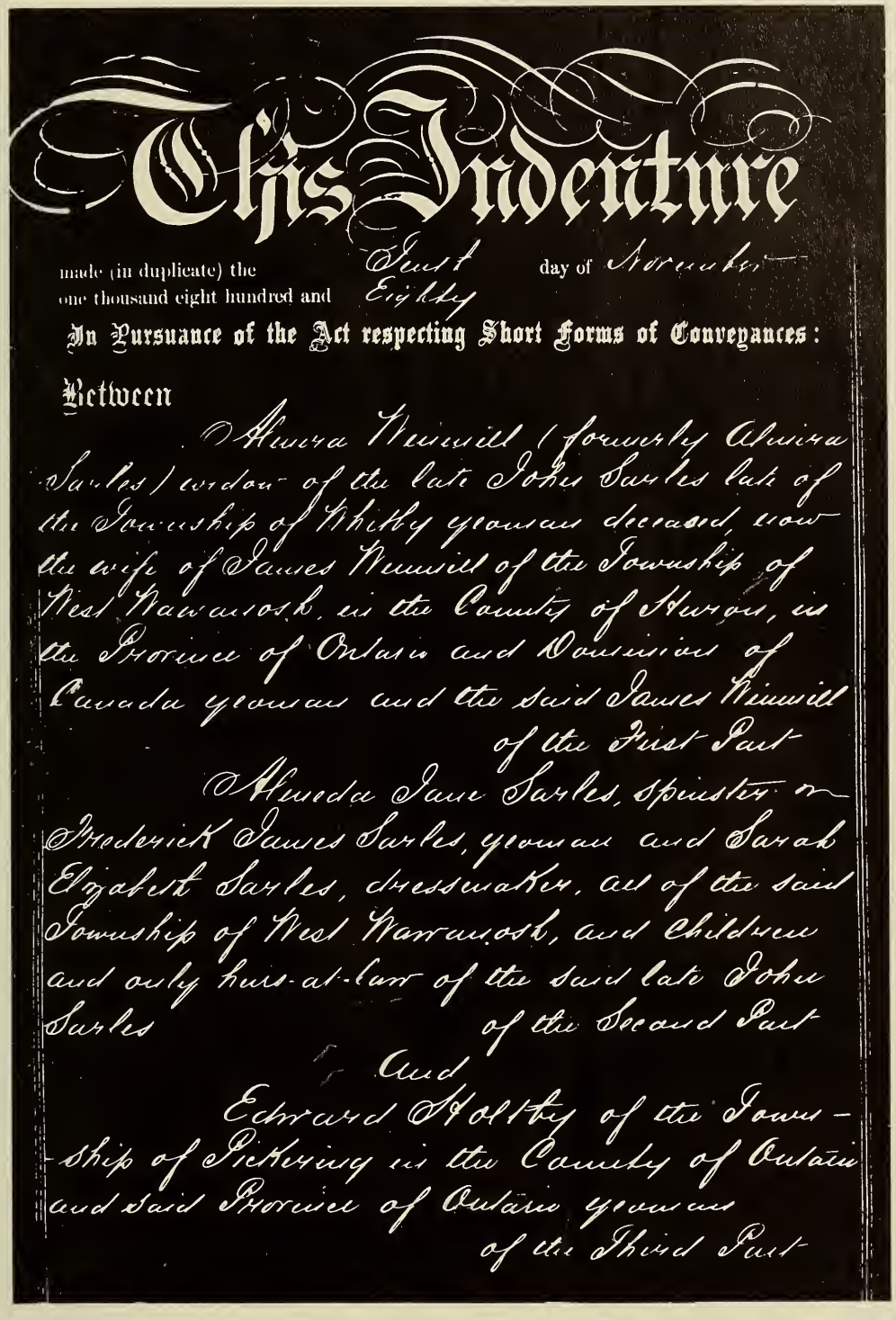
FDDDABD. Simpson Bentley (see **Ba:AaD.**). One Saturday morning while this searcher was having breakfast at a local Long Beach restaurant, he talked with a lady who sat beside him at the counter. During the ensuing conversation, the fact emerged that she had a Canadian summer-cottage. She disclosed the location of the lake cottage — Hastings Co., Ontario, in Elzevir Twp. This was the name of the twp. where Simpson Bentley had lived. The lady said she was acquainted with a family of Bentleys who had lived there and whose ancestors had lived there. She promised to deliver a note bearing this searcher's name and address to anyone of them she met upon her return. Perhaps some of those Elzevir-Twp. Bentleys **are** relatives; meanwhile, any living descendants of Simpson's son Abram W. Bentley (**Be:FDDDABDA. and Ba:AaDA.**) are unknown to us.

FDDDABe. ALMIRA HANNAH BENTLEY (**IV.4.**; see **Ba:Aae.**) (Be5., Bell., Be196.B.), b 2.9.1836 (?), b 1833 (see photos), d 12.11.1922, Goderich Huron Co., ON, ae. 88 y 9 mos (Be425.), calc. b date of March 1834 (?); m **first** 9.17.1850, Pickering (ON), JOHN SARLES (IV.3., Sa:CDJ., Sh:AeJ.) (Be10.C.), who d 8.31.1860, Whitby Twp., Ontario Co., ON.[1] ALMIRA m **secondly** 1.17.1861, Ashburn, Whitby Twp, Ontario Co., ON, to James Winmill (a good friend of her first husband), son of Thomas (Be196B.). James Winmill was b Quebec City (?), Quebec, d 10.25.1920, West Wawanosh Twp., Huron Co., ON, ae. 85 y (Be425.). ALMIRA'S three CH by JOHN SARLES are (Be10.C., Be7., and other ref.): (**a**) Almedia, (**B**) Fred, and (**c**) Sarah.

FDDDABea. Almedia Jane Sarles, b 1854 (see **Ba:Aaea.** for her many DESC).

FDDDABeB. Frederick James Sarles, b 1858 (see **Ba:AaeB.** for his many DESC).

[1] SARLES, JOHN, Surrogate Court Record, proved on October 8, 1860. JOHN SARLES, of Whitby Twp., Ontario Co., Province of Ontario, Canada, d 8.31.1860, Whitby Twp., Ontario Co., Intestate, his widow ALMIRA SARLES.



This Indenture

made (in duplicate) the First day of November
one thousand eight hundred and Eighty

In Pursuance of the Act respecting Short Forms of Conveyances:

Between

Almira Winmill (formerly Almira Sarles) widow of the late John Sarles late of the Township of Pickering yeoman deceased, now the wife of James Winmill of the Township of West Wawanosh, in the County of Huron, in the Province of Ontario and Dominion of Canada yeoman and the said James Winmill of the First Part

Almeda Jane Sarles, spinster, Frederick James Sarles, yeoman and Sarah Elizabeth Sarles, dressmaker, all of the said Township of West Wawanosh, and children and only next-of-kin of the said late John Sarles of the Second Part

And

Edward Holtby of the Township of Pickering in the County of Ontario and said Province of Ontario yeoman of the Third Part

Record of Indenture and Deed of Land dated November 10, 1880, in Goderich, Huron County, Ontario, Canada. This document identifies Almira Winmill as the former Almira Sarles, widow of John Sarles and wife of James Winmill. ALMIRA BENTLEY, **Be:FDDDABe., Anc. IV.4.,** widow of JOHN SARLES, **Anc. IV.3.,** is identified as the mother of (1) SARAH E. SARLES, **Be:FDDDABec., Anc. III.2.;** (2) Almedia J. Sarles, **Be:FDDDABea.;** and (3) Frederick J. Sarles, **Be:FDDDABeB.** ALMIRA also has many descendants by her second husband James Winmill.

In Witness whereof the said parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered,

In the Presence of

H E Johnston
Town of Goderich, Insurance Agent
as to signatures of James Winmill, Almedia
I Sarles, Frederick I Sarles, Sarah E Sarles

William Hubbard
as to signature of
Almira Winmill

Emma Winmill

James Winmill

Almedia I Sarles

Frederick J Sarles

Sarah E Sarles

WINMILL
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
JAMES WINMILL
1835—1920
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1838 —— 1922

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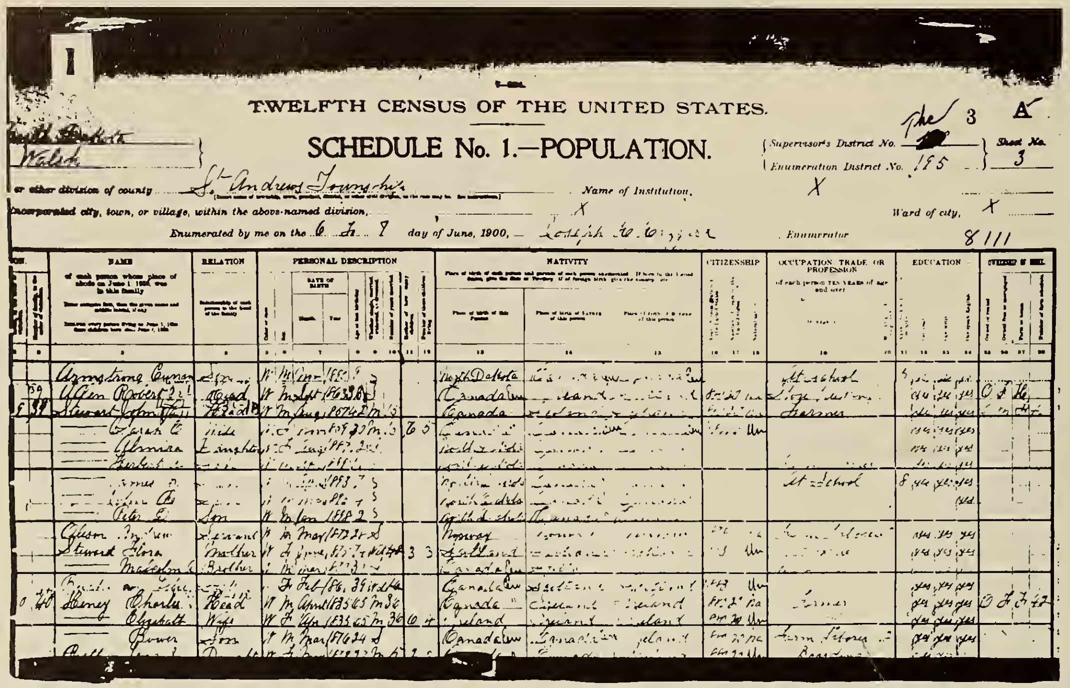
TWELFTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES.

SCHEDULE No. 1.—POPULATION.

Supervisor's District No.

Enumeration District No. 195

Sheet No. 3

Walsh

or other division of county St Andrews Township

Name of Institution. X

Incorporated city, town, or village, within the above-named division, X

Ward of city, X

Enumerated by me on the 6 & 7 day of June, 1900, — Enumerator

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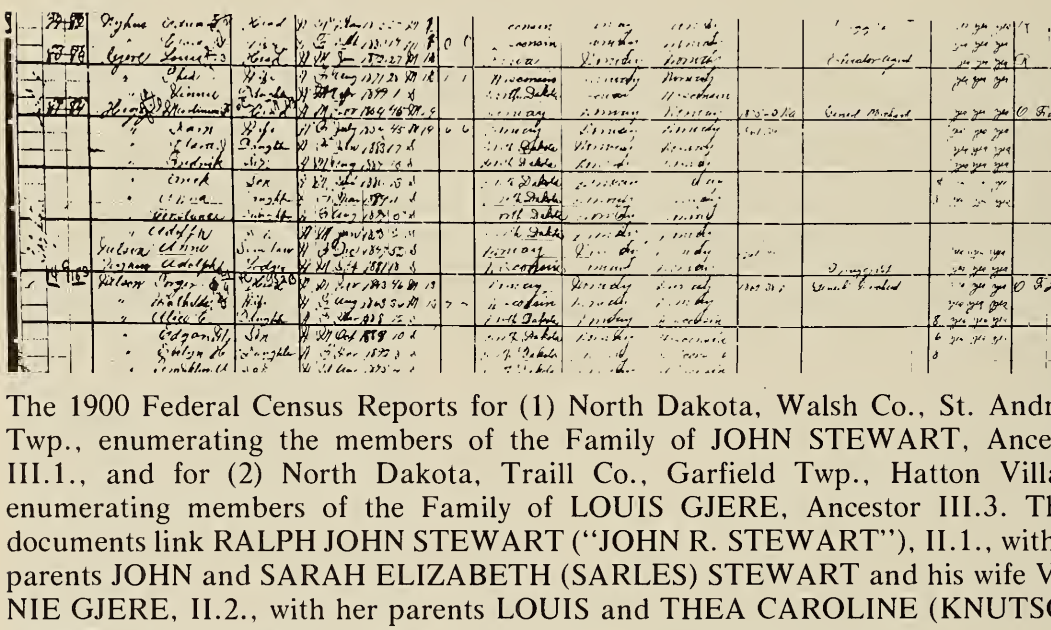


The 1900 Federal Census Reports for (1) North Dakota, Walsh Co., St. Andrews Twp., enumerating the members of the Family of JOHN STEWART, Ancestor III.1., and for (2) North Dakota, Traill Co., Garfield Twp., Hatton Village, enumerating members of the Family of LOUIS GJERE, Ancestor III.3. These documents link RALPH JOHN STEWART ("JOHN R. STEWART"), II.1., with his parents JOHN and SARAH ELIZABETH (SARLES) STEWART and his wife VINNIE GJERE, II.2., with her parents LOUIS and THEA CAROLINE (KNUTSON) GJERE. Source: 1900 Fed. CR, Microfilm Reel ND-T623-1233(St-Tr).

FDDDABec. SARAH ELIZABETH SARLES (**anc. III.2., Sa:CDJc., Sh:AeJc., Ba:Aaec.**) (Be7., and other references), housewife in the first "modern home" wired for electricity in Walsh Co., ND, was b 11.5.1859, Whitby Twp., Ontario Co., ON, Canada, m 1885, Dakota Terr., JOHN C. STEWART, PETER'S son, farmer, b 8.25.1857, Harriston, Minto Twp., Wellington Co., ON, Canada. For their DESC, see **St:ABC.** in the Stewart Family Group. Their CH (Be2.): (**A**) Peter J., (**b**) Elmyra K., (**C**) Herbert A., (**D**) James B., (**E**) RALPH JOHN, and (**F**) Peter D. Stewart. At birth RALPH JOHN was named and later baptized JOHN RALPH STEWART. His name appears as John R. on the 1900 C.R.

According to the photo of the 1900 Federal Census Report (number 1) for the State of North Dakota, Walsh County, St. Andrews Township (enum. 6.6-7.1900): (**1**) **Sarah E.** (------) **Stewart**, Wife, b Nov. 1859, age 40 y, m 15 y, mother of 6 CH—5 of whom living, she and parents b Canada, immigration to the U.S. in 1884, 16 y in U.S., "Unnaturalized," able to read, write, and speak English.

(2) **John Stewart**, Head, b Aug. 1857, age 42 y, m 15 y, b Canada, parents b Scotland, immigration to the U.S. in 1880, U.S. res for 16 y, "Naturalized Citizen," able to read, write, and speak English.

(3) Almira Stewart, Daughter, b Aug. 1887, age 12 y, b ND, parents b in Canada, able to read, write, and speak English.

(4) Herbert A. Stewart, Son, b Apr. 1889, age 11 y, b ND, parents b Canada, occupation as Farm Laborer, able to read, write, and speak English.

(5) James B. Stewart, Son, b April 1893, age 7 y, b ND, parents b Canada, At School, attended school 8 months, able to read, write, and speak English.

(6) **John R. Stewart**, Son, b Mar. 1896, age 4 y, b ND, parents b Canada, able to speak English.

(7) Peter D. Stewart, Son, b Jan. 1898, age 2 y, b ND, parents b Canada.

(8) **Flora** (--------) **Stewart**, Mother (of John Stewart, Head), b June 1875 (**error**) (1825, correction), age 74 y, Widow (m 48 y—crossed out), mother of 3 CH—3 of whom living (**error**), b Scotland, parents b Scotland, immigration to the U.S. in 1883, 17 y in U.S., Unnaturalized, Boarder, able to read, write, and speak English.

(9) Malcolm A. Stewart, Brother (of John Stewart, Head), b Mar. 1870, age 30 y, Single, b Canada, parents b Scotland, immigration to U.S. in 1883, 17 y in U.S., Naturalized Citizen, Md Student, able to read, write, and speak English.

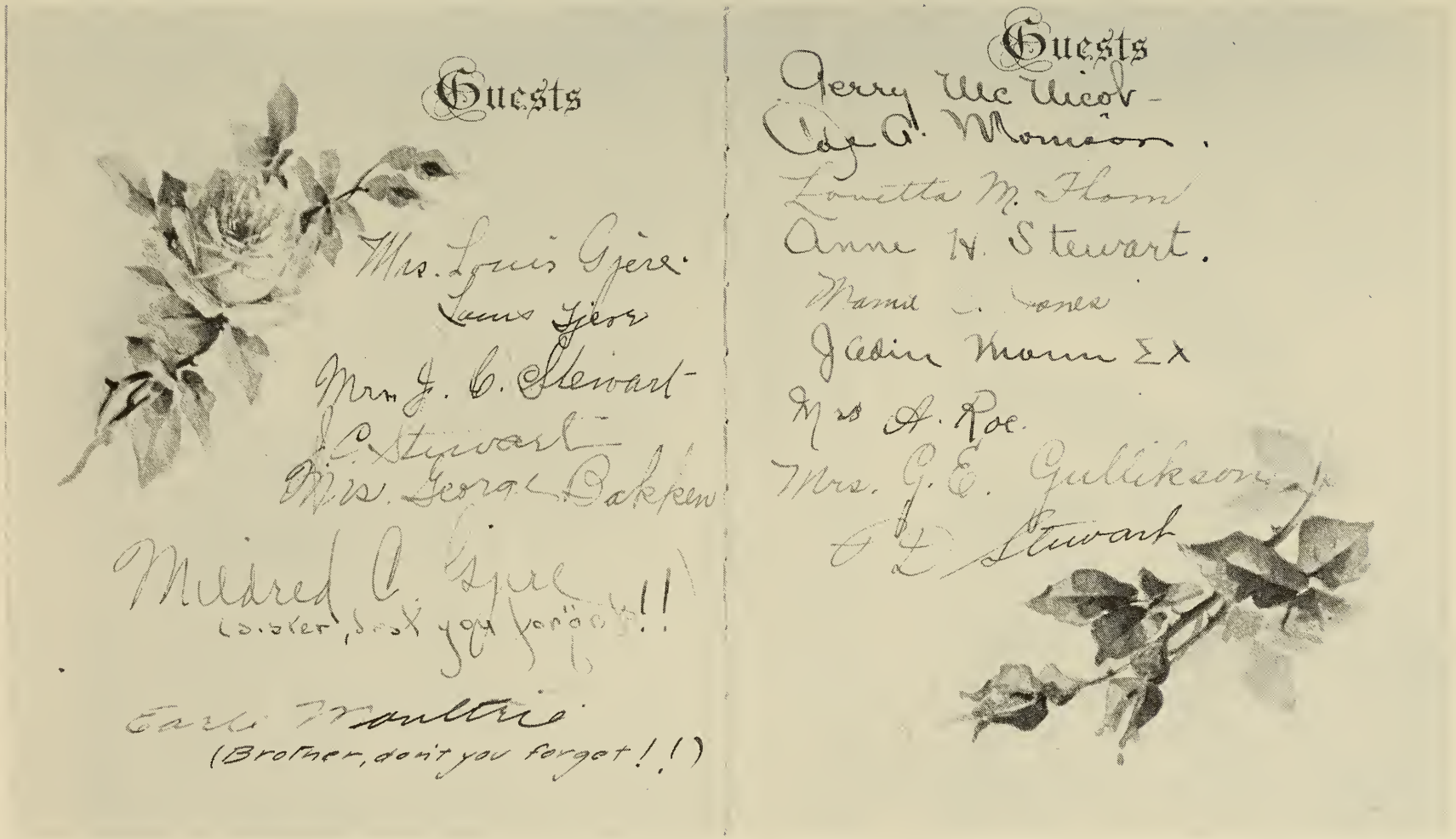
(10) Lillie (-------) Buchanan, Sister (of John Stewart, Head), b Feb. 1861, age 39 y, Widow (m 16 y—crossed out), b Canada, parents b Scotland, immigration to the U.S. in 1883, 17 y in U.S., Unnaturalized, able to read, write, and speak English.

In Drayton, ND, October 13, 1949, attending the funeral of Grandmother Stewart, Mrs. John (Sarah Elizabeth Sarles) Stewart, Daughter of Almira Hannah Bentley (Mrs. John Sarles and Mrs. James Winmill), were Grandsons (l to r):

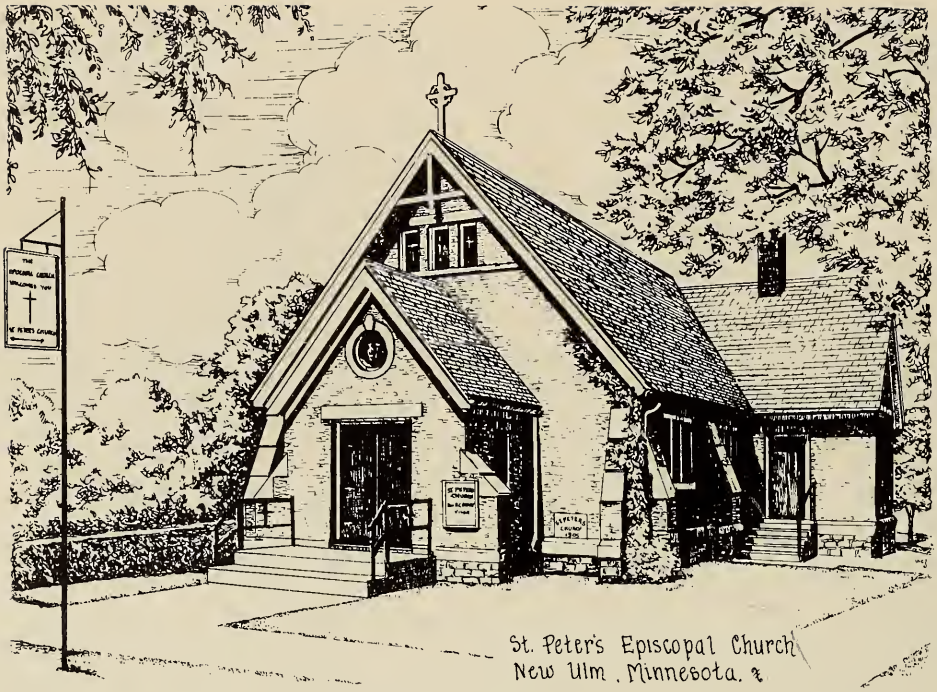
James Adin Stewart, **St:ABCEC., Be:FDDDABecEC.;**
John Louis Stewart, **St:ABCEB., Be:FDDDABecEB.;**
Charles Herbert Stewart, **St:ABCCA., Be:FDDDABecCA.;**
Cameron Ralph Stewart, **St:ABCEA., Be:FDDDABecEA.;**
Robert Earl Stewart, **St:ABCCD., Be:FDDDABecCD.;**
Stewart Earl Bakken, **St:ABCbA., Be:FDDDABecbA.;** and
John Peter Stewart, **St:ABCCB., Be:FDDDABecCB.**

Selected DESC of JOHN and SARAH ELIZABETH (SARLES) STEWART:

FDDDABecE. RALPH JOHN STEWART (**II.1.,** see **St:ABCE.**), was named "John R.," Son of John Stewart in the 1900 CR (see photo); b 3.24.1896 (Be2.), Drayton, St. Andrews Twp., Walsh Co., ND. A former high school teacher and principal and life insurance agent for over 50 years in New Ulm, MN, he resided at 225 S. Washington Street (1933-80) with wife VINNIE. A 2-y Long Beach res., Ralph d 11.3.83, San Dimas, CA. On 6.30.1924, Cando, Towner Co., ND, RALPH m VINNIE MERCEDES GJERE (**II.2, Gj:aFEa., Os:ama.**), dtr of LOUIS GJERE (**III.3.**) and THEA



Shown here are some of the signatures of wedding guests including those of parents, other close relatives, and friends of groom Ralph J. Stewart and bride Vinnie M. Gjere.



The three Stewart brothers were baptized in St. Peter's Episcopal Church, New Ulm, MN, by Rev. C. Burnett Whitehead, Sr., Rector. Cameron Ralph Stewart was baptized on December 4, 1927. Twins John Louis Stewart and James Adin Stewart were baptized on June 19, 1930. Mother Vinnie's well-attended funeral was held here June 16, 1980, a sad but beautiful day.

CAROLINE KNUTSON (**III.4.**) (see Gj: and Os: Family Groups). VINNIE, a former teacher of English, art, and piano, was b 4.27.1899, Hatton, Garfield Twp., Traill Co., ND; d after aortic (abdominal) aneurysm and heart attack, St. Mary's Hospital, Rochester, MN, 6.13.1980, and was buried in New Ulm, Brown Co., MN, where she had made her home.

According to the photo of the 1900 Federal Census Report (number 2) for the State of North Dakota, Traill County, Garfield Township, Hatton Village:

(1) **Vinnie Gjere**, Daughter (of Louis Gjere, Head of the family), b Apr. 1899, age 1 y, b ND, Father b Iowa, Mother b Wisconsin.

(2) **Louis Gjere**, Head, b Jun. 1872, age 27 y, m l y (error) (2 y, correction), b IA, parents b Norway, Elevator Agent.

(3) **Thea** (-------) **Gjere**, Wife (of Louis Gjere, Head), b Aug. 1871 (error) (Mar. 1870, correction), age 28 y (error) (age 30 y, correction), m l y (error) (2 y, correction)[1], b WI, parents b Norway, able to read, write, and speak English.

Incidently, Louis Gjere, in about 1907, owned the first Maytag washing machine in Cando, ND.

[1]Louis Gjere and Thea Caroline Knutson were married on "April 12, 1898," Buxton, Traill Co., ND (Os:B.75., see Os:am.).

Be:

PLACE OF BIRTH

County of Brown

Township of .....
or
Village of .....
or
City of New Ulm, Minn

THE STATE OF MINNESOTA
Division of Vital Statistics
RECORD OF BIRTH

3405

Reg. District No. ..... No. in Registration Book 183
(Above numbers to be filled in only by local registrar or his deputy)

(No. Union Hospital, St.; ..... Ward) .....
(If birth occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number)

FULL NAME OF CHILD Cameron Ralph Stewart } If child is not yet named, make supplemental report as directed.

3. Sex of Child M. | To be answered ONLY in event of plural births. { 4. Twin, triplet or other ..... 5. Number, in order of birth ..... | 6. Legitimate? Yes. | 7. Date of birth May 31 1927 (Month) (Day) (Year)

FATHER	MOTHER
8. Full name Ralph L. Stewart	14. Full maiden name Vinnie Gjere
9. Residence (Usual place of abode) If nonresident, give place and State New Ulm, Minn	15. Residence (Usual place of abode) If nonresident, give place and State New Ulm, Minn
10. Color or race W. 11. Age at last birthday 31 (Years)	16. Color or race W. 17. Age at last birthday 28 (Years)
12. Birthplace (city or place) (State or country) Drayton N. Dak.	18. Birthplace (city or place) (State or country) Hatton, N. Dak.
13. Occupation Nature of industry Life Insurance Salesman	19. Occupation Nature of industry Housewife

20. Number of children of this mother (Taken as of time of birth of child herein certified and including this child) (a) Born alive and now living 1 (b) Born alive but now dead 0 (c) Born dead 0

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MIDWIFE*

I hereby certify that I attended the birth of this child, who was Born alive at 6 50 P.M. (Born Alive or Born Dead) on the date above stated, and that the above facts as given are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Was an Ophthalmia Neonatorum Prophylactic used as required by law? Yes

*When there was no attending physician or midwife, then the father, householder, etc., must make this return

(Signature) [signature]
PHYSICIAN, MIDWIFE, PARENT OR INFORMANT
(Cross out words which do not apply)

Given name added from a supplemental report .....

Date 6/1/27 Address New Ulm

(Signature) [signature]
REGISTRAR.

Received JUN 7 1927

Filed 6-2, 1927 Address New Ulm

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN) SS

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the official record on file with the Section of Vital Statistics Registration of the Minnesota State Board of Health.

Dated at Minneapolis

April 29, 1974

[signature]
Deputy State Registrar
Minnesota State Board of Health

Any alterations shown were made under the authority of Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 144.172 and the regulations of the State Board of Health.

These three Birth Certificates present the documentary evidence that link the three sons Cameron Ralph Stewart, I.1.; John Louis Stewart, I.2.; and James Adin Stewart, I.3., with their parents RALPH JOHN and VINNIE MERCEDES (GJERE) STEWART.

Be:

PLACE OF BIRTH

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of New Ulm

NAME CHILD [illegible] John Louis } If child is not yet named, make supplemental report as directed.

of Male | To be answered ONLY in event of plural births. | 4. Twin, triplet or other 5. Number, in order of birth | 6. Legitimate? | 7. Date of birth May 10 1930 (Month) (Day) (Year)

FATHER

Ralph J. Stewart

sidence al place of abode) New Ulm
nresident, give place and State Minn

olor or ace 30 | 11. Age at last birthday [illegible] years) 32

irthplace (city or place) Drayton
State or country) N.D.

ccupation Insurance
ature of industry Salesman

MOTHER

14. Full maiden name Vannie Grace

15. Residence (Usual place of abode) New Ulm
If nonresident, give place and State Minn

16. Color or race White | 17. Age at last birthday 31 (Years)

18. Birthplace (city or place) Hatton N.D.
(State or country)

19. Occupation Nature of industry Hw.

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CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MIDWIFE*

hereby certify that I attended the birth of this child, who was Born alive at 12 30 P.M.
(Born Alive or Born Dead)
date above stated, and that the above facts as given
ue to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.
as an Ophthalmia Neonatorum Prophylactic used as required by law? yes

hen there was no attending physician idwife, then the father, householder, must make this return

(Signature) [illegible]
PHYSICIAN, MIDWIFE, PARENT OR INFORMANT
(Cross out words which do not apply)

en name added from a supple-
l report 5/28

Date May 10 30 Address New Ulm

(Signature) [illegible] REGISTRAR.

Filed May 16, 1930 Address New Ulm

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN) SS

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the official record on file with the Section of Vital Statistics Registration of the Minnesota State Board of Health.

Dated at Minneapolis

April 29, 1974

[illegible]
Deputy State Registrar
Minnesota State Board of Health

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Be:

PLACE OF BIRTH

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...nship of ...

...age of ...

... of New Ulm

...L NAME ... Stewart James Adin

CHILD

THE STATE OF MINNESOTA
Division of Vital Statistics
RECORD OF BIRTH

3231

Reg. District No. ..... No. in Registration Book 420
(Above numbers to be filled in only by local registrar or his deputy)

(No. Union Hosp. St.: ..... Ward) .....
(If birth occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number)

...er of ...hild Hall | To be answered ONLY in event of plural births. | 4. Twin, ~~triplet or other~~ ..... 5. Number, in order of birth ..... | 6. Legitimate? Yes | 7. Date of birth May 10 (Month) (Day) 19 (Year)

FATHER	MOTHER
...l ...e Robert J. Stewart	14. Full maiden name Vinnie Spire
...Residence (...sual place of abode) ... nonresident, give place and State New Ulm Minn	15. Residence (Usual place of abode) If nonresident, give place and State New Ulm Minn
Color or race Wht	16. Color or race Wht
11. Age at last birthday 34 (Years)	17. Age at last birthday 31 (Years)
Birthplace (city or place) Drayton N.D. (State or country)	18. Birthplace (city or place) Hatton N.D. (State or country)
Occupation Nature of industry Insurance Salesman	19. Occupation Nature of industry Hw.

Number of children of this mother (Taken as of time of birth of child herein certified and including this child) (a) Born alive and now living 5 (b) Born alive but now dead 0 (c) Born dead 0

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MIDWIFE

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(Signature) [signature]
PHYSICIAN, ~~MIDWIFE, PARENT OR INFORMANT~~
(Cross out words which do not apply)

...en name added from a supple-...l report 5/26,

Date May 10-35 Address New Ulm Minn

(Signature) [signature] REGISTRAR.

Filed May 16, 19 Address New Ulm

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN) SS

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the officia record on file with the Section of Vital Statistics Registration of the Minnesota State Board of Health.

Dated at Minneapolis

April 29, 1974

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Deputy State Registrar
Minnesota State Board of Health

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The First Grade Class of Emerson School, 1933-34, New Ulm, MN.

Front row (l to r): Margaret Andreen, Grace Anderson, an unidentified classmate, Mavis Schleuder, Yvonne Slaybaugh, Garnet Neuman, **Carl Hesse,** and Irving Wilfahrt.
Back row (l to r): Charles Doering, **Jens Nielsen,** Keith Oswald, Wallace Kinney, **John Mueller, Cameron Stewart, Carl Tappe,** Richard Lindmeier, Wilbert Wickers, and Donald Stratte. Emerson School (earlier a high school) has since been razed. Names printed in boldface type indicate those present at the twenty-year reunion of the N.U.H.S. Class of 1945 held in the summer of 1965.

RALPH JOHN and VINNIE (GJERE) STEWART had these three CH (Bel.): (**A**) Cameron Ralph, (**B**) John Louis, and (**C**) James Adin Stewart.

FDDDABecEA. Cameron Ralph Stewart, teacher, BCRN:3469-27(MN), b 5.31.1927, New Ulm, Brown Co., MN; "Searcher Cousin Cam's" res (1979): Long Beach and El Monte, Los Angeles Co., CA; no descendants, as yet. Burial plots have been purchased in the Garden of Comfort, Rose Hills Cemetery, Whittier, CA. His mailing address (1983) is P.O. Box 3011, Long Beach, CA 90803.

While attending Emerson School, New Ulm, MN, those members of the class who survived from 1933-1939, were taught by Miss Anderson in grades 1 and 2, Miss Louise Henzel in grades 3 and 4, and Miss Jeanette Harbo in grades 5 and 6. Miss Harbo encouraged her sixth-grade students to write letters to known relatives living in foreign countries. Selected as this student's correspondent was Norwegian Brita Traa, the first-cousin of his maternal grandfather. Brita, who lived on the Traa farm in Skulestadmo, Voss, Norway, wrote an enlightening reply.

Little did this curious youngster, in 1939, realize that about twenty years later, in 1960, he would visit Brita in Norway just as his Aunt Mildred (Gjere)

Shown above are the students in the combined fifth and sixth grades of Emerson School, New Ulm, MN, 1937-38. The teacher Miss Jeanette Harbo encouraged her students to write letters to relatives living in foreign countries. At least one of them, who wrote following her stimulus just over a year later, conducted 19 years of genealogical research (1960-79) beginning a few days after he finally met his "pen-pal" cousin Brita over 21 years later (1939-60). Fifth-grade "scholar" Cameron R. Stewart is the fourth boy from the left, kneeling in the back row.

Mann had visited her thirty years before. Brita showed this American relative the first photograph he had ever seen of his great-grandparents Gjere and their family of Decorah (Highlandville), Iowa. Who would ever believe that twenty years of very interesting genealogical research and classification would follow this visit?

FDDDABecEB. John Louis Stewart, dentist, fraternal twin, BCRN:3230 (MN), b 5.10,1930, New Ulm, Brown Co., MN, m 6.5.1954, Mankato, Blue Earth Co., MN, to Marilyn Lou Delano, dtr of Edward and Inez Evelyn (Horstman) Delano (both b IA), BCRN:270-31 (Lake City, IA), b

Janet Elizabeth Stewart, **St:ABCEBc., Be:FDDDABecEBc.,** flutist, accompanied by her grandmother Mrs. RALPH J. (VINNIE M. GJERE) STEWART **(Mi:ABd-feiadEa.),** savors "Solvejg's Song" by Norwegian composer Edvard Grieg. As a high school student Janet participated in "The Summer of 1977 Music Honors Program" at the University of Minnesota. On Sunday, July 17, 1977, her father, mother, brother, and uncle Cameron were in the audience at Northrup Auditorium as Janet performed in the orchestra. On June 23, 1979, she was to have played a flute solo at the Mozart Museum, Salzburg, Austria, the birthplace of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-91), Austrian composer. Janet traveled to Europe with the Mayo H.S. musicians from Rochester, Olmsted Co., MN.

10.22.1931, Lake City, Calhoun Co., IA; res (1978): Rochester, Olmsted Co., MN, where Marilyn's mother resides in her own home. Marilyn, a former teacher, is a Rochester real estate broker (1979). Their three CH:

FDDDABecEBA. David John Stewart, BCRN:108-56-29978(DC), b 11.29.1956, Washington, District of Columbia; U. of Wisc. grad. (1980).

FDDDABecEBb. Nancy Anne Stewart, BCRN:122-58-019380(MN), b 12.2.1958, Minneapolis, Hennepin Co., MN; U. of Wisc. grad. (1981).

Celebrating Nancy's High School Graduation are, l to r, Janet E. Stewart, **Be:FDDDABecEBc.;** Nancy A. Stewart, **Be:FDDDABecEBb.;** and David J. Stewart, **Be:FDDDABecEBA.,** Rochester, MN.

FDDDABecEBc. Janet Elizabeth Stewart, BCRN:122-60-017685(MN), b 11.28.1960, Minneapolis, Hennepin Co., MN; Janet attended the University of Wisconsin, Madison, and will have studied in Bonn, Germany, 1982.

BENTLEY DESCENDANT SURVIVES DEVASTATING TORNADO

Nineteen-year-old Nancy Anne Stewart **(Be:FDDDABecEBb.),** sophomore at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, and four coed friends living in Rochester, MN, decided to go camping together. While working at seasonal jobs during the summer of 1978, they formulated their plan to canoe and camp for a week before returning to their studies.

The wilderness area they selected was located north of Ely, MN, in Quetico Provincial Park, Ontario, Canada. On the first day out, they canoed and, at three places, portaged until they reached Jackknife Bay in five and a half hours. Selecting an attractive little island studded with majestic Norway-pine-trees, they landed and looked for a good place to rest.

The tired canoeists were considering two places on the island to camp — one located on low ground and the other on high ground. They chose the higher ground to pitch their tents because the **cool breeze** there would be refreshing — a good tonic after the warm trip. There was no indication that

their choice of campsite would be instrumental in sparing their lives that evening.

At 9:00 p.m. on the memorable date of August 14, 1978, "Stew" prepared her sleeping bag for a good night's rest. She stepped out of her tent for an unforgettable moment. She saw it coming. "Oh, Lord!!" Nancy went down on her hands and knees.

Tall pine trees were being tossed into the air like so many match sticks as the twister came. Within five seconds the TORNADO ripped through the island destroying everything in its path.

One of the nearby Norway-pines snapped a few feet above the ground and crunched down upon her back pinning her on the ground from end-to-end. Unable to move under the heavy weight of the broken tree, she waited for help. Cindy Layton, trapped in her tent, cut her way out with her hunting knife and escaped suffocation. Annette Richter lay motionless on the ground within Nancy's view. Nancy thought Annette was dead. "I guess I'll be next," she grimaced. "How can I get this tree off of me?"

Three of the girls had escaped without injury. They ran to the victims. "What can we do?" they asked.

"Get the canoe paddles," Nancy replied. "Use them as levers and pry this thing off of me!!"

One paddle and a tree limb used as levers broke as the three exerted all the strength they could muster to free Nancy. Sally Schuster later discovered that she had broken her wrist while desperately helping to move the tree which had about a 14-inch diameter.

Experiencing excruciating pain all night from the dislocated right-hip, stretched sciatic nerve, two broken vertebrae in the small of her back, and two broken ribs, Nancy reasoned, "What's the sense to cry?"

Although unconscious, Annette appeared to be breathing normally. There was hope that she too would pull through.

Nancy related her thoughts, "It is all a bad dream — just a nightmare that would soon go away. When I wake up, the pain will be gone."

"I'll phone Mom," she told Sherri Schuster, "and she'll take us home. We'll be all right. Oh, why doesn't someone come? Where is everybody?"

Hope for help had been kindled when one of the uninjured survivors revealed that she had brought her "rape" whistle, just in case. During the night to sun-up the exhausted girls called, "Help!" One repeatedly whistled three times short and three times long while hoping the universally understood S-O-S distress-signal, learned in girl-scout training, would be heard.

At about 6:30 in the morning, from somewhere across the water, two masculine voices were heard. "Hello-o-o-o, are you all right? Do you need a doctor? We lost our canoe, but we're O.K. If you will pick us up, we'll take your canoe and paddle for help!"

The canoe moved swiftly through the water as the masculine voices faded into the distance. Saviors Quentin Stewart of Minneapolis, MN, and John Thurston of Albuquerque, MN, expertly canoed for three and a half hours over the twenty-mile route that included three portages of a mile in length.

Back at the devastated campsite two feminine wilderness-guides appeared in their canoe to render what aid they could. They built a fire and soon served delicious hot chocolate to the appreciative four.

A seaplane bearing stretchers was flown to the island in Jackknife Bay by the Lake County Sherriff's Department, thirteen and one-half hours after the mishap. Two trips had to be made to fly the injured women to medical attention at the Ely Hospital.

Annette didn't completely regain consciousness until after she had reached St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester later that same day. Hopefully she would soon be her old self again.

Nancy's mother Marilyn flew to Ely to comfort her and to accompany her on the flight to the Rochester hospital. After several days in the hospital, smiling Nancy emerged on crutches and in braces supporting her back. A cast covered her numb right foot. During the following sixty days, the tissues were to regenerate. Normal functioning was expected to resume in the area surrounding the head of the femur.

Nancy is very, very thankful to the Lord above that she and her companions had the narrow escape and survived. Later, while briefly reflecting on her unfortunate experience, Nancy recalled being carried from the island to the seaplane on a stretcher. From the stretcher she looked back at the alternate choice on the low ground where their tents would have been pitched had the "cool breeze" **not** been preferred. Broken trees cluttered that low spot. She looked up. In its path of destruction, extending over an area a quarter of a mile wide and twenty miles long, the havoc-causing tornado had left only one lone sentinel standing on the Canadian island — one majestic Norway pine.

FDDDABecEC. James Adin Stewart, teacher, swimming and golf coach, fraternal twin, BCRN: 3231-30 (MN), b 5.10.1930, New Ulm, Brown Co., MN, m 7.15.1961, Upland, CA, to Mary Virginia (Martin) Bruce, Kleo's dtr, former teacher, a very busy housewife , BCRN: 88-D2866 (OH), b 10.28.1934, Lodi, Medina Co., OH; res (1978): Upland, San Bernardino Co., CA; their 2 CH:

FDDDABecECA. James Cameron Stewart, BCRN: 64-123579-3600-478 (CA), b 5.4.1964, Upland, San Bernardino Co., CA; Upland H.S. grad. (1982).

FDDDABecECB. William Martin Stewart, BCRN: 66-234471-3600-8098 (CA), b 9.15.1966, Fontana, San Bernardino, Co., CA; he enjoys water sports (1982).

SELECTED DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y, **Be:F.**, NATIVE OF BEDFORDSHIRE, ENGLAND, AND NARRAGANSETT SETTLER OF KINGSTOWN, COLONY OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Assuming that JOHN BENTLY, Son of WILLIAM BENTLY and MARY GOODWIN, of Bedfordshire, England, is the father of the American Progenitor of Rhode Island Bentleys **et al,** then the following trace can be justifiably made to the Stewarts. The birth date of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y of Kings Town (born in Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England), as calculated from American documents, approximates the Christening date for the only known William Bentl(e)y of Ampthill in 1640, the son of JOHN and MARY (BETTS) BENTL(E)Y. Amelioration of documentation shall undoubtedly be desirable for some time to come. JOHN and MARY had these six CH:

(**A**) Robert, (**b**) Mary, (**C**) John, (**D**) Thomas, (**E**) James, and

1. (**F**) **WILLIAM BENTLEY,** American Progenitor **Be:F.**, and wife **SARAH** (----)

2. (**?**) Austen, Mary (b 1670)
   Fa. Bentley, Jane
   FB. Bentley, William
   FC. Bentley, James
   FD. BENTLEY, THOMAS
   FE. Bentley, Benjamin
3. **FDa.** Bentley, Jane
   FDb. Bentley, Mary
   FDC. Bentley, William
   FDD. BENTLEY, BENJAMIN
   FDE. Bentley, Thomas
4. **FDDA.** Bentley, Caleb
   FDDB. Bentley, Joseph
   FDDC. Bentley, Thomas
   FDDD. BENTLEY, SAMUEL
   FDDE. Bentley, Benjamin
   FDDF. Bentley, Gideon
   FDD?. Bentley, "anon."
5. **FDDDA. BENTLEY, REUBEN**
   FDDDb. Bentley, Deborah
   FDDDC. Bentley, Elijah
   FDDDd. Bentley, "anon."
   FDDDE. Bentley, Ira
   FDDDF. Bentley, Samuel
   FDDD?. Bentley, "anon."
6. **FDDDAa.** Bentley, Mary
   FDDDAB. BENTLEY, MIRON
   FDDDAc. Bentley, Almira
   FDDDAd. Bentley, Fanny
7. **FDDDABA.** Bentley, Albert
   FDDDABB. Bentley, Martinas
   FDDDABc. Bentley, Mary
   FDDDABD. Bentley, Simpson
   FDDDABe. BENTLEY, ALMIRA HANNAH
   FDDDABf. Bentley, Frances
   FDDDABG. Bentley, William H.
8. **FDDDABea.** Sarles, Almedia
   FDDDABeB. Sarles, Frederick James
   FDDDABec. SARLES, SARAH ELIZABETH
   FDDDABeD. Winmill, William
   FDDDABee. Winmill, Mary
   FDDDABeF. Winmill, Myron
   FDDDABeG. Winmill, Albert
   FDDDABeH. Winmill, Robert
   FDDDABeI. Winmill, Frank
   FDDDABej. Winmill, Frances
   FDDDABek. Winmill, Ida
   FDDDABel. Winmill, Mina
   FDDDABeM. Winmill, A. Oscar
   FDDDABen. Winmill, Effa
9. **FDDDABecA.** Stewart, Peter J.
   FDDDABecb. Stewart, Elmyra K.
   FDDDABecC. Stewart, Herbert A.
   FDDDABecD. Stewart, James B.
   FDDDABecE. STEWART, RALPH J.
   FDDDABecF. Stewart, Peter D.
10. **FDDDABecEA. STEWART, CAMERON R.**
    FDDDABecEB. Stewart, John L.
    FDDDABecEC. Stewart, James A.
11. **FDDDABecEBA.** Stewart, David J.
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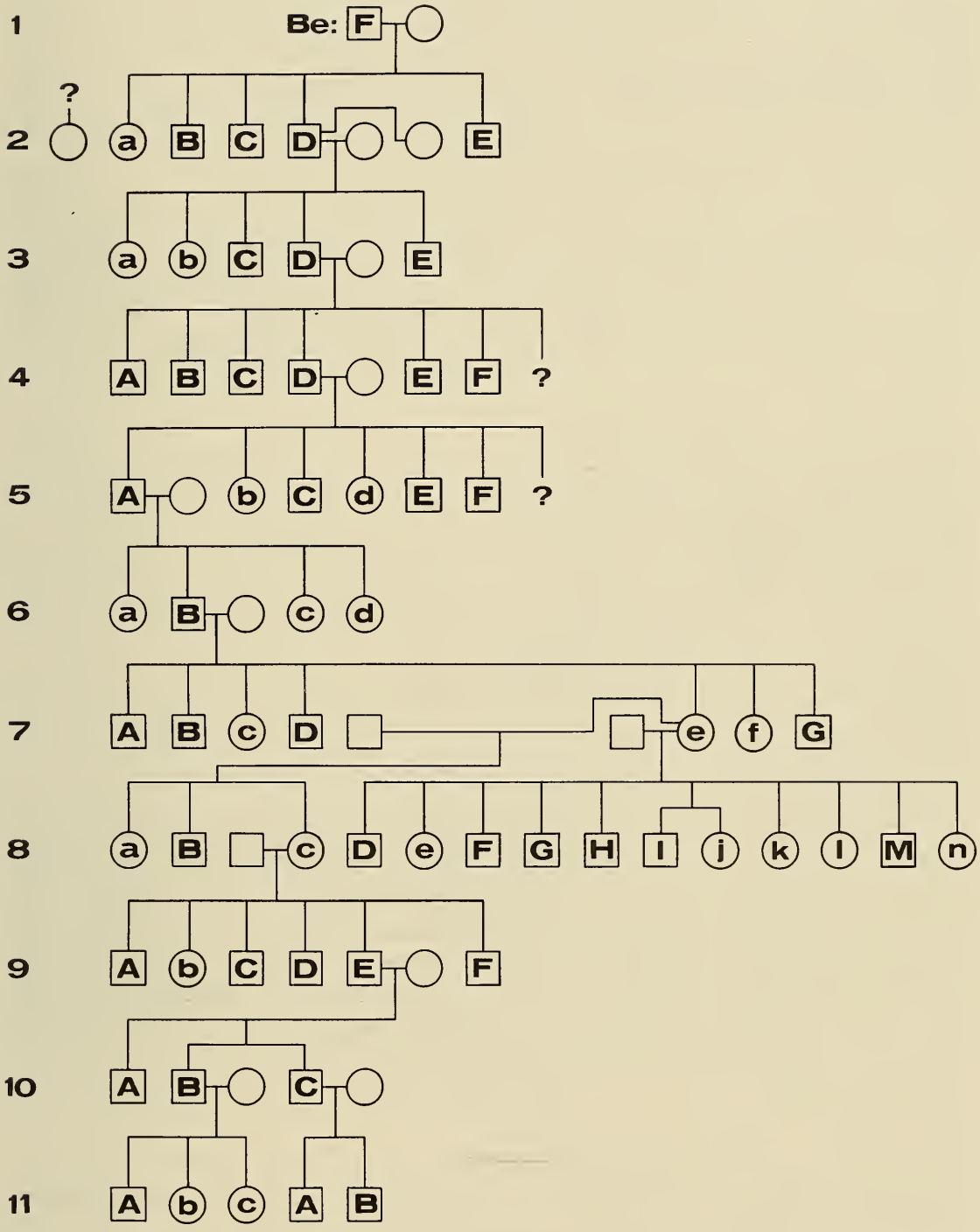


SELECTED DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y, **Be:F.**

ALMIRA HANNAH BENTLEY (IV.4.) **(Be:FDDDABe.) (see Ba:Aae.),** had these eleven CH by her **second** marriage (at age 25) on January 17, 1861, Ashburn, Whitby Twp, Ontario Co., Ontario, Canada, to James Winmill, age 26, of Whitby, b Quebec, Canada, son of Thomas and Sarah (Fossil) Winmill ("Windmill"), by Rev. Thomas Sharp, Ashburn (OCMR, 1:139)[1] (Be196B). The James Winmill family moved from Whitby, Ontario Co., in 1874, to Wawanosh (later known as West Wawanosh) Twp, Huron Co., Ontario, res on E½ of Lot 23 of Con. 1. Their home was on the S½ of the E½ of said lot at the time of James Winmill's death on 10.15.1920 (Be177., Be178., Be179.). **Almedia Sarles** (signature), "Spinster," is named with "Almira Wimill wife of James Winmill" on an indenture (Be178.). James and ALMIRA had these 11 CH (see **Ba:Aae.** in Badgerow Family Group for more detail):

FDDDABeD. William Winmill

FDDDABee. Mary Amelia Winmill

FDDDABeF. Myron Thomas Winmill

FDDDABeG. Albert Winmill

FDDDABeH. Robert Winmill

FDDDABeI. Frank Eldred Winmill

FDDDABej. Frances Ellen Winmill

FDDDABek. Ida Winmill

FDDDABel. Mina Winmill

FDDDABeM. Albert Oscar Winmill, only son named in his father James Winmill's **Will,** written on 5.5.1909. Oscar was referred to as a retired farmer in Goderich, Huron Co., Ontario (Be177.). James Winmill gave to his "son Albert Oscar Winmill" all of his stock and implements. At the death of his wife ALMIRA WINMILL, his farm was to go to Oscar. In a visit to West Wawanosh Twp in 1964, this searcher learned that Oscar was laid to rest next to his parents in an unmarked grave in the Colborne Cemetery, Colborne Twp, Huron Co., Ontario. Colborne Twp borders the SW side of W. Wawanosh Twp.

FDDDABen. Effa Maud Winmill

FDDDABf. Frances Bentley, Whitby, m 12.25.1860, Benjamin Dafoe, Thurlow (Be196.A.).

FDDDABG. William H. Bentley, in his **Will** (Be5.) dated 8.23.1866, and recorded 12.7.1866, requested that a marble monument be erected in the Burial Ground of the Christian Meeting House at Brougham, Pickering

[1]Ontario County Marriage Register, 1858--1869; Ontario Provincial Archives, Toronto; abstracted by William Britnell, 1043 Lorne Park Road, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada L5H 2Z9 (1977).

Township, and that the names of his parents and of himself be inscribed. This was done. He named, as executrix, "my dear Mother HANNAH SARLES, late BENTLEY." Named in his **Will** were these brothers and sisters: "Simpson Bentley, Martinas Bentley, ALMIRA WINDMILL, Mary Hubbard, and Frances Dafoe, all born Bentley."

FDDDAc. Almira Bentley, dtr of REUBEN BENTLEY, was b ca 1801, likely in Markham Twp, Old York Co. (Be13A.).

FDDDAd. Fanny Bentley, dtr of REUBEN BENTLEY, was b ca 1802, likely in Markham Twp, Old York Co. (Be13A.).

What became of MIRON BENTLEY'S sisters Mary, Almira, and Fanny or any other possible offspring of his parents is unknown to this searcher. Someday more evidence is bound to surface.

FDDDb. Deborah Bentley, SAMUEL'S dtr, m Joseph Plumb. According to her father **SAMUEL BENTLEY'S** Upper Canada Land Petition (Be15.E.) of 8.18.1800, Markham (in what is now known as Markham Twp., York Co., Province of Ontario, Dominion of Canada), his "two sons-in-law named **Joseph Plumb** and **Moses Bamford,** who live with their families in this Province," were the husbands of his two unnamed daughters.

In his land petition, just referred to, SAMUEL BENTLEY also stated that he was "to return for the remainder of family — a wife and two younger" after having stated the names of his two sons-in-laws and the names of three of his sons. In the book entitled **Heads of Families, New York, 1790,** on page 17, the name of a **"Samuel Bentley** appears with the accompanying statistics: **1** free white male 16 years old or older, including the head of family; **2** free white males under the age of 16 years; and **1** free white female (including head of family), for Ballstown Town, Albany County (as it was called at that time), NY. Noted also on this same page in Ballstown Town was the name and respective statistics for a **Joseph Plumb,** 2-2-4. **Was this "Joseph Plumb" the son-in-law of the "Samuel Bentley" named on the same page as head of a family in the same Town of Ballstown?**

The "Archive Record" sheet for the **Amariah Plumb family** contained more information (G.S.L., S.L.C., UT) (Be49).

Amariah Plumb, b 9.6.1733, Milford, New Haven, CT, d. 3.1.1778, son of **Joseph Plumb** and his wife **Thankful Gaylord,** m 3.10.1757, Norfolk, Litchfield, CT, to **"Sarah Aspenwell,"** b 12.8.1739, Farmington, Hartford, CT, dtr of **"Aaron Aspenwall"** and wife **Sarah Collins;** their 7 CH:

1. **Joseph Plumb,** b 1.11.1758, Norfolk, Litchfield, CT, d 7.11.1836, m (1) **Deborah Bentley.**

2. **Amariah Plumb,** b 4.23.1760, Norfolk, Litchfield CT.

3. **Mabel Plumb,** b 3.10.1762, Norfolk, Litchfield Co., CT, d 4.21.1811, m 12.2.1779, **Justice Miner.**

4. **Caleb Plumb,** b ca 1764, Norfolk, Litchfield Co., CT, d 1815/6, m **Eleanor Welch.**

5. **Abijah Plumb,** b ca 1766, Norfolk, Litchfield Co., CT.

6. **Bailey Plumb,** b 1767, Norfolk, Litchfield, CT.

7. **Curtis Plumb,** b 11.5.1769, Norfolk, Litchfield Co., CT.[1,2]

A telephone call to Mrs. Marion Plumb (Edith) Thatcher (Be48.) on 8.15.1977, did reveal clues regarding the "Joseph Plumb--Deborah Bentley" marriage. Marion Plumb Thatcher descends from Caleb and Eleanor (Welch) Plumb; Caleb Plumb was the brother of Joseph Plumb, who m Deborah Bentley. Caleb Plumb (husband of Eleanor Welch, dtr of John Welch and Deborah Monroe, gf Philip Welch), b ca 1764, Norfolk, Litchfield Co., CT, d 1815/6 in Upper Sandusky, MI (?) (this searcher wonders: Sandusky, Sanilac Co., **MI?** — or **Upper Sandusky,** Wyandot Co., OH?), m ca 1784 (est.), "Ralston Springs, Saratoga Co." (which was then a part of Albany Co.? — Ballston Springs? — or formerly Ballstown Town of **H of F, 1790, NY?**), NY. Their CH #1 was b 1785, "Saratoga Co." (Albany Co.?): #4 was b 1794, Wyoming Co., northern PA.

Upon carefully checking **Heads of Families 1790 NY,** page 17, Albany County, Ballstown Town, this searcher located three pairs of names of significance: "Aaron Aspenwall" adjacent to "Amarieh Plum," "John Bentley" adjacent to **"Samuel Bentley,"** and **"Joseph Plumb"** adjacent to **"Caleb Plum."** Using the frequently reoccurring surname of (the) "Benedict" (family) on that page as pivotal (or reference) points, the foregoing six heads of families are now believed by this searcher to have lived in very close proximity, probably right next to each other. On the following page 15, the name of **their brother-in-law** appears, **"Justice Miner"** 1—2—4!!

Additionally (aside) there were unidentified **Bentleys** (one named **Samuel**) in Luzerne Co., PA, adjoining the above-mentioned Wyoming Co., PA, in the 1790's; ref: Ba:S.138 (see **Ba:Aa.**).

This searcher took a closer look at pp 15 and 17 of **Heads of Families 1790 New York** for Albany County, **Ballstown Town,** and now stresses the importance of this data (uninterpreted):

[1]No detailed documentation was given for the above, **i.e.** a specific connection was not pinpointed to a specific source. The stated references for the entire set of data above are given as follows:
(1) Barbour Coll. Conn. Vital Rec. pt 58 Film;
(2) **Aspinwall Gen.** by Algernon Aiken Aspinwall;
(3) Family Rep.: Marion Plumb Thatcher, Rt 1, Box 63, Chandler, AZ. Marion is a living descendant of Caleb Plumb (1977).

[2]When contacted by telephone, Marion's wife also recommended these two sources:
(1) **The National Genealogical Quarterly,** Vol. 32, p. 7; and
(2) the compilation by Alex. McMillan Welch entitled **Philip Welch, 1654, of Mass. and His Descendants.**

Key: 1st column, white males of 16 y and up, incl. head;
2nd column, white males under 16 y; and
3rd column, free white females, incl. head.

P. 17:	Plum, Amarieh,	1 — 2 — 1
	Aspinwall, Aaron,	2 — 3 — 3
	Bentley, Samuel,	1 — 2 — 1
	Bentley, John,	1 — 1 — 6
	Plumb, Caleb,	2 — 0 — 1
	Plum, Joseph,	2 — 2 — 4
P. 15:	White, Sanford,	1 — 2 — 3
	Miner, Justice,	1 — 2 — 4
	Townsend, Jesse,	1 — 0 — 1

Although Deborah Bentley had not been named specifically as SAMUEL BENTLEY'S daughter, she was married to **Joseph Plumb,** who was named by SAMUEL BENTLEY as his **son-in-law** (Be15.E.) at the time SAMUEL completed his Upper Canada Land Petition in Markham (in **York Co.,** Ontario, Canada) (1800).

Joseph Plumb's wife is named "Deborah Bentley" and they were said to have "lived in **York County,** Canada," although the name of Deborah Bentley's father is **not** written by A. A. Aspinwall in his book entitled **The Aspinwall Genealogy** (1901). Nor is the name of the father of Melinda Bentley written; Melinda was the wife of Amariah Plumb, son of the previously indicated Joseph Plumb and his first wife (unknown name). Melinda's identity remains a mystery; on the other hand, the father of Joseph Plumb's **second** wife **Deborah Bentley** is none other than SAMUEL BENTLEY (Be:FDDD.), son of BENJAMIN. Whether Deborah gave birth to any children or not cannot be determined by this searcher because of insufficient data at this time.

In his excellent compilation of 1901 (Be50.), A. A. Aspinwall had provided the following information for the Plumb family. **Deborah Bentley's mother-in-law was Sarah Aspinwall, wife of Amariah Plumb. Deborah Bentley (Be:FDDDb.), b ----, d----, m 6.22.1798,** ---- (place?), **Joseph Plumb,** b 1.11.1758 (m **secondly** ae. 40 y), d 7.11.1836; they "lived in **York County,** Canada." Deborah was Joseph's **second** wife. Joseph Plumb was the son of Sarah (4) of Aaron (3), Eleazar (2), Peter (1) Aspinwall. Sarah was married 3.10.1757, ---- (place?), to Amariah (5) of Joseph (4), John (3), Robert (2), John (1) Plumb.

Although A. A. Aspinwall does not directly state that all of Joseph Plumb's children were by his first wife (name unknown to A. A. Aspinwall and unknown to this searcher), such is the implication. Birth dates for Joseph's fourth and fifth offspring were not stated. If any of these or any others born later were offspring of Deborah Bentley's, this searcher cannot say. These five children were those of Joseph Plumb (hypo. seq.):

(1) Marenas Plumb, b ----:

(2) **Amariah Plumb,** b ----, m ---- (date?) ---- (place?), **Melinda Bentley,** b ----, ----, d ----, ----, dtr of ----- **Bentley.** Another mystery!

(3) Alva Plumb, b 12.1.1780, m Elizabeth (Vosburg) Bertis.

(4) Sylvia Plumb, b ----, m Joel Crumb. Who was Sylvia's mother?

(5) Anna Plumb, b ----, m ----, to ---- Ireland. Who was Anna's mother?

Amariah (5) Plumb m 3.10.1757, Sarah (4), dtr of Aaron (3) of Eleazar (2), Peter (1) and Sarah (Collins) Aspinwall, b 12.8.1739. Amariah (5) Plumb, b 9.6.1733, d 3.1.1778; he was one of the "original proprietors of Norfolk, CT. He served in the Revolutionary War, and was in the army sent into Canada in 1775, was wounded at the siege of St. John, and received a special grant of twenty-five pounds for his services from the State of Connecticut."

Amariah Plumb and his wife Sarah Aspinwall had threse CH:

1. **Joseph Plumb,** b 1.11.1758;

2. Amariah Plumb; b ----; served in Rev. War;

3. Caleb Plumb, b ----, Norfolk, CT;[1] m Eleanor Welch; res was Columbiana, Columbiana Co., OH; 10 CH.

4. Abijah Plumb, b ----.

Plumb Family genealogies have been located in the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library, Boston. These have **not** been examined by this searcher.

FDDDC. Elijah Bentley (reclassified), SAMUEL'S son (Be15.E.), farmer; in 1800, he had a wife and three children in **Clinton** Twp, Lincoln Co., Niagara District, Upper Canada (now Ontario) (Be15.A.). On his UC Land Petition he signed his name as "Elijah Bently."

Elijah Bentl(e)y (Markham., O.C. 8.19.1800, patent 9.9.1801) sold (indirectly?) Lot 4 of Con. 8 to Samuel Lawrence ("Lawrenz") in 1805 (?) (Be16.A.). Elijah's name appears on the Deed for Lot 5 of Con. 6, dated 1807-1816, 1819, and 1822-1824 (Be16.E.). See Be122.A. (treason, 1813-14).

According to Duncan Sinclair, son-in-law of Randall Spencer Bentley **(Be:FDDACF.)** who was a second-cousin of Elijah's children, "Elijah Bentley, son of Samuel and Grandson of Thomas (correction: Benjamin), a preacher, lived in the township of Markham, Canada, where he formed the first Baptist Church in that place in 1803" (Be61.). See Be121. (minister).

The name of "Elijah Bentley" is in the Domesday Book for having received a patent of land in Markham on the Eighth Concession (3rd name) in 1801.

[1]Norfolk is located in N Litchfield Co., NW CT, on MA border. Note that an unidentified "Mary Bently" was living in Kent Town, Litchfield Co., CT in 1790; ref: **Heads of Families 1790 Connecticut.** Mary is believed to be the wife of a CT-Bentley—John; she may have lived to celebrate her 95th birthday.

He is named along with his father Samuel, brothers Ira and Reuben ("Reuben Bentz"!!), and first-cousin William Bentley, father of above-mentioned Randall Spencer Bentley (Be66.).

Elijah's name was written in the margin of the 1804 Berczy Census Report for Markham, but members of his family were not identified. The names of his wife and three children indicated in his UC Land Petition (Be15.A.) are unknown to this searcher. They may have had more than three CH:

FDDDC?. (Anon. Elijah's ch#1) Bentley, b before 1800.

FDDDC?. (Anon. Elijah's ch#2) Bentley, b before 1800.

FDDDC?. (Anon. Elijah's ch#3) Bentley, b ca 1800.

A complete copy of Upper Canada Land Petition **B5/31** follows for **Elijah Bentl(e)y, Be:FDDDC. (Be15.A.).**

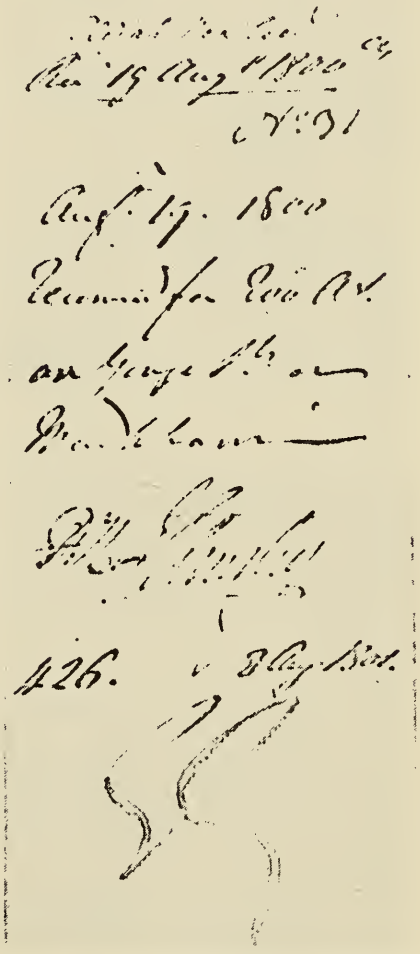
To His Excellency Peter Hunter Esqr

Lt. Governor of the Province of Upper Canada. . . In Council

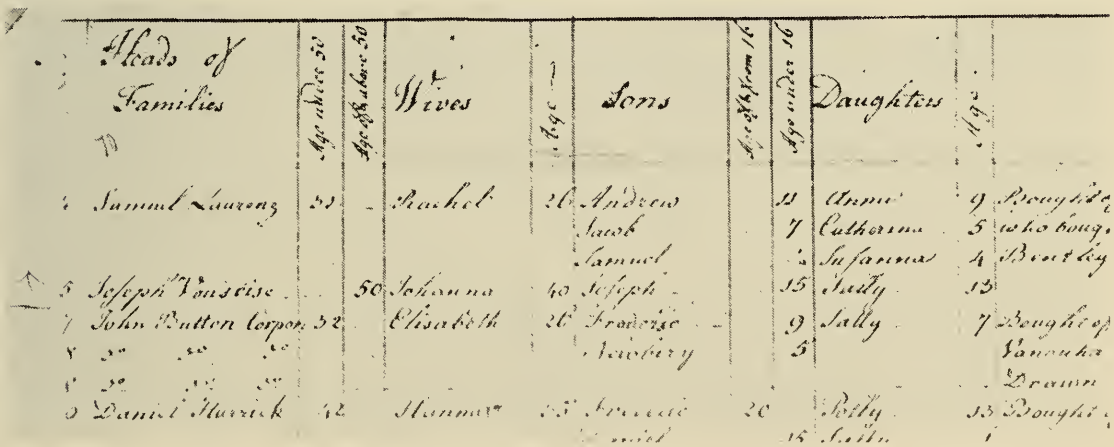
The Petition of Elijah Bentley, Farmer

Humbly sheweth:

That your Petitioner came into the Province upwards of 12 months ago, & rented a piece of Land in the Township of Clinton, which he sowed —



Courtesy of the Public Archives of Canada.



In the 1804 "Berczy CR" Elijah Bentley's former Lot 4 of Con. 8 was owned by Samuel Laurenz (Lawrence). Courtesy of the Public Archives of Canada.

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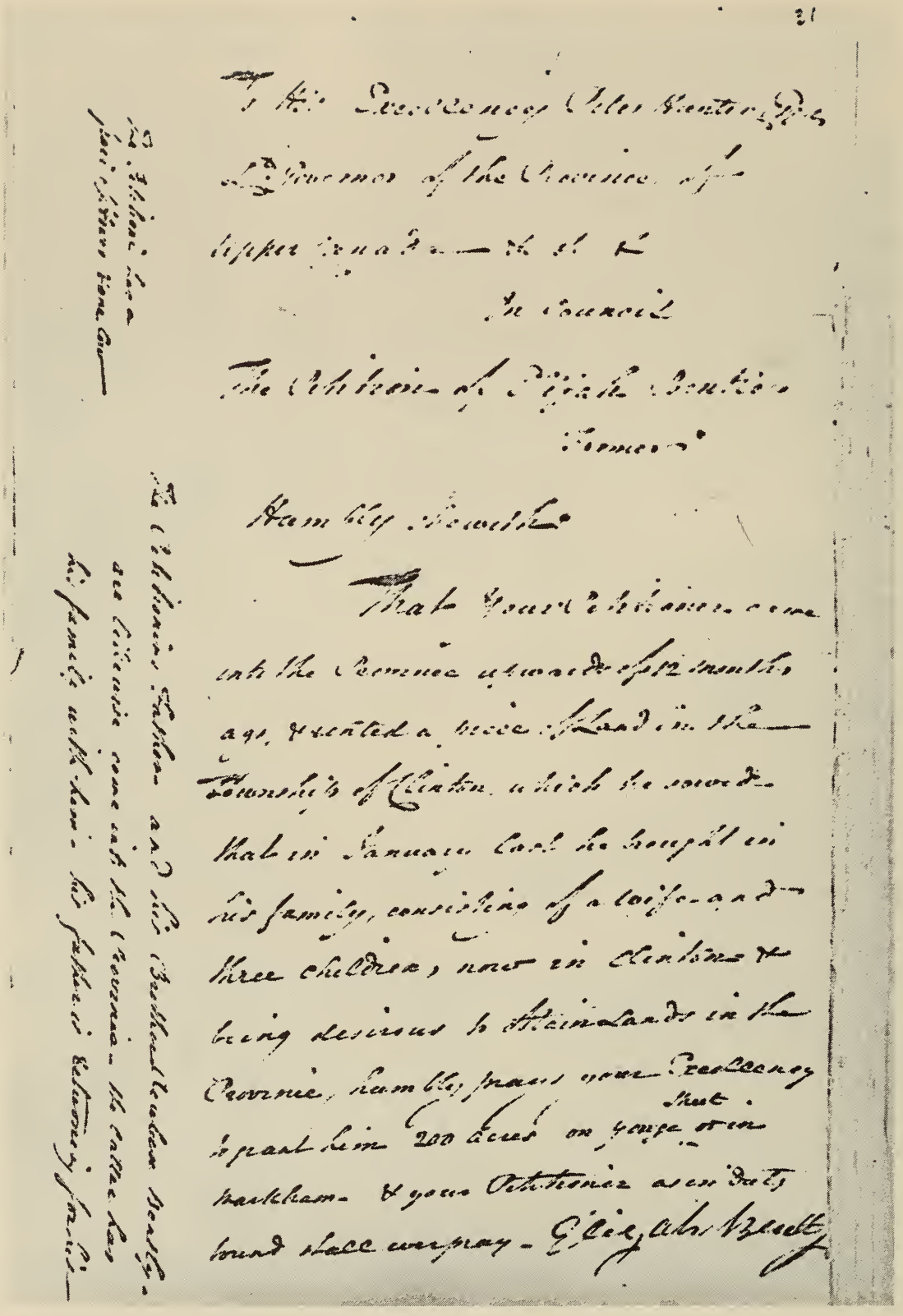


Courtesy of the Public Archives of Canada.

that in January last he brought in his family, consisting of a wife and three children, now in Clinton —
& being desirous to obtain Lands in the Province, humbly prays your Excellency to grant him 200 acres on Yonge Street or in Markham —
& your Petitioner as in Duty bound shall ever pray

(signature) **Elijah Bently**
(Elizah) (?)

Marginal note on petition:
The Petitioner has a pair of Horses and one Cow. **The Petitioner's Father and his brother Reuben Bently are likewise come into the Province — the latter has his family with him — his father is returning for his — Petiton Cover:**

Elijah Bentley, Rec 19 Aug'st 1800, No. 31, Aug't 19. 1800. Recommend for 200 A's on Yonge S't. or Markham (followed by an official Elmsley's signature). 426. 8 Aug. 1801.

FDDDd. Anonymous (SAMUEL'S dtr) Bentley, of NY (at time of marriage), b ca 1779 (Be44.), b later than 1774 and earlier than 1784 (calc. Be45.A.B.), lived with husband Moses Bamford in Norwich, Chenango Co., NY, 1810 (Be45.B.).[1] She was m and was living in the Province of Upper Canada (now Ontario) before 8.18.1800 (Be15.E.). According to her son Samuel Bamford (Be46.C.):

> **My mother was born and raised in Canada and was of English-Scotch descent. Her name was Bentley before marriage . . . was married . . . in Canada and moved afterwards to New York where I was born in the year 1808 . . . mother (d) at (age) 40 years . . . of non-inherited disease.**

SAMUEL'S dtr was believed to have d in IN, perhaps inVermillion Co. (Be46H.). Did she d ca 1819 (1770 ca + 40)? She m Moses Bamford (Be46.C,E,H.) of NY (Be44.) (at time of m), **his first m. Moses Bamford was identified as the "son-in-law" of SAMUEL BENTLEY (Be15.E.)** named in SAMUEL'S UC Land Petition in Markham, 8.18.1800.

Moses was b ca 1765-1774 (calc. from Be45.A,B.); b 1778 (Be44.); d ae. "55" y (Be46.C.) (55 + 1765—1774 = 1820—1829, d as per calc) (55 + 1778 = 1833 d), d ca 1830, Vermillion Co., IN (Be46.) (ca 1830 - 55 = 1775 b ca). Moses Bamford was m **secondly** 5.23.1822, Knox Co., IN, to Elizabeth Moppin (Be46.A.F.) (this searcher has no further info. on the second m of Moses Bamford—as of 9.1977).

SAMUEL BENTLEY'S dtr and her husband Moses Bamford had these 4 CH: (A) Robert, (B) Samuel, (c) Philena, (D) George W. (4 named: Be44.).

Moses Bamford and his wife "Anonymous" (SAMUEL'S dtr) Bentl(e)y **(Be:FDDDd.)** had these selected DESC:

[1]Apparently the Bamfords were Irish who came from Utica, NY, and settled in Chenango Co., NY (see Be315.).

FDDDdA. Robert Bamford, b 1800/1, NY, d ca 1876, Iowa, at age 75 y (Be46C,E,H); Robert Bamford, b 1800, Batavia, NY, d 1868, West Point, Lee County, IA (Be44), son of Moses Bamford and "Miss" Bentley (Be44). Robert m 6.17.1817 (Be46A), Knox Co., IN, to Matilda Ludington (Be44, 46A) ("Luddington"--?), b 1802 ca, lived in Perrysville, Vermillion Co., IN, d 4.__.1871, Washington Co., IA (Be44). Matilda was the dtr of Lafayette Ludington and Elizabeth Dayton (Be44). Their 3 CH (Be44): Harriet, Robert L., and George W. Bamford; their selected DESC (Be44):

FDDDdAa. Harriet Bamford, b 1823, Perrysville, Vermillion Co., IN, d 1852; m **first** 1838, Muscatine Co., IA, to James Caughran ("Caughron"—?), d 1838, Muscatine Co., IA; 1 CH (Be44):

FDDDdAaA. Josephus D. Caughran, b 1839, Muscatine,IA; d 1896; m 1867, to Mary A. Morton, b ca 1841, IA (?); 3 CH (Be44):

FDDDdAaAa. Harriet Caughran, b ca 1869, prob. Muscatine, IA.

FDDDdAaAB. Gilbert Caughran, b ca 1871.

FDDDdAaAc. Mary Caughran, b ca 1873, m Paul Rader (Rev.).

Harriet Bamford **(Be:FDDDdAa.)** was m **secondly** 1843, to Joseph Moffitt. This searcher did not search for the DESC, if any, of Harriet's second m.

FDDDdAB. Robert L. Bamford (Be44), b 1826, Perryville, Vermillion, IN; d 1.--.1906, Wayne Co., IA; m 1847, to Eliza (Benjamin's dtr) Davis, b ca 1826, prob. IN, d 1897; their 8 CH (Be44):

FDDDdABA. Morris Bamford, ca 1848, **Wayne Co., IA,** m Frances C. Melick. Morris Bamford is believed by this searcher to have been the compiler of the "Moses Bamford Genealogy" which he has not seen. This is the source quoted on the "Archive Record" sheets in the Genealogical Soc. Lib. by Gail C. M. Conway, res (1963): 3520 W. LaMar Rd., Phoenix, AZ. Gail indicates on the "Archive Record" for Moses Bamford that she is his fourth great-granddaughter. This searcher has not traced her descent because he has not seen the information required to make the trace. This searcher phoned Phoenix, AZ (9.5.1977), but the information operator there could not locate this Conway family. Sandra (Jones) Davis **Be:FDDDdBdcBa.**, has more information on the families of Robert L. and Geo. W. Bamford.

FDDDdABb. Lucetta Bamford, b ca 1850, Wayne Co., IA, d 1878.

FDDDdABC. Bentley Bamford, b ca 1853, Wayne Co., IA, d 1910, m Clara Kerns.

FDDDdABD. Samuel E. Bamford, b ca 1855, Wayne Co., IA, m Kate Grimes.

FDDDdABe. Alice M. Bamford, b ca 1857, Wayne Co., IA, m John W. Grimes.

FDDDdABF. Elmer E. Bamford, b ca 1859, Wayne Co., IA. m Susie Clark.

FDDDdABG. Isaiah D. Bamford, b ca 1861, Wayne Co., IA, m Zilla Lawson.

FDDDdABh. Mattie F. Bamford, b ca 1863, Wayne Co., IA, m Jay Krouch.

FDDDdAC. George Washington Bamford, b 1828, Perrysville, Vermillion, IN; d 4.--.1871, Winfield, Henry Co., IA; m 1849, to Catherine Davis, b ca 1832, of IN, d 1890; 5 CH (Be44):

FDDDdACA. William Dimmitt Bamford, b ca 1854, of Perrysville, Vermillion, IN (as are all of his brothers and sisters), m Sarah Osborn.

FDDDdACb. Harriet E. Bamford, b ca 1856, m Isaac I. Stomm.

FDDDdACC. Charles M. Bamford, b ca 1858, m Annie Karkuff.

FDDDdACd. Orpha E. Bamford, b ca 1860, m Rev. Perry Karkuff.

FDDDdACE. George R. Bamford, b ca 1862, of Perrysville, Vermillion Co., IN; m Eva Bray.

FDDDdB. Samuel Bentley Bamford (Be46.B., C., D., E., H.), **b 10.23.1808, Geneseo, Genesee Co. (later Livingston Co.) (?), NY,** d 11.23.1894, Santa Rosa, Sonoma Co., CA; m (first) 11.28.1830, Julia Ray, IN (loc.?) (Be46.J.); m IN (Be46.), m Perryville, Vermillion Co., IN (Be44.); to Caroline Ray (Be46.C., D., E., H.), b 9.--.1817, OH, d 3.25.1875, Muscatine Co., IA; "My wife (died) at (age) 59" (Be46.C.).

The following is an extract from a letter written on March 25, 1890, by Samuel Bentley Bamford, at age 81y, just 4 y 8 m before death.

> My father was American born but his parents, or at least his father, was born in Ireland and came to this country and married and settled in New York where my father was born. He was married to my mother in Canada and moved afterwards to New York where I was born in the year 1808.
>
> My mother was born and raised in Canada and was of English—Scotch descent. Her name was Bentley before marriage.
>
> My father died at the age of 55 years and mother at 40 years, both of non-inherited diseases.
>
> My brothers, Washington and Robert, and sister, Mrs. Wiles, died at the ages of 68, 75, and 70 years respectively. My wife at 59.
>
> **The most noted of my ancestors for longevity was my grandfather who was living at the age of 114 years**[1] . . ." (Be46.C.).

Unidentified is the name of Samuel Bentley Bamford's grandfather living at the age of 114 years. Was he S.B.B.'s paternal grandfather Bamford or

[1]According to the periodical **Book Digest** dated October 1977, in a review of **The Guinness Book of World Records 1977,** "the greatest authenticated age to which a human has ever lived is 113 y 214 d . . . and the present absolute limit of proven human longevity does not admit of anyone living to celebrate a 114th birthday."

was he his maternal grandfather Samuel Bentley, for whom he was named? See lead (Be315.).

Samuel and Caroline had these six CH:
(a) Sarah Bamford (Be46.E.). b 1839; (b) Almira Bamford (Be46.D,E,F,H.),b 1.9.1842; (c) Josephine Bamford (Be46.E.), b 1846; (d) Amanda Caroline Bamford (Be46.A,B,D,E,G,H), b 3.18.1851; (e) Mary Icaphine Bamford (Be46.B,E) b 6.23.1856; and (f) Phoebe Luella Bamford (Be46.B,E), b 9.7.1859.

Samuel Bentley Bamford's DESC:

FDDDdBa. Sarah Bamford (Be46E.), b 1839/40, IN; b Perryville, Vermillion Co., IN (Be44.); m 2. 24.1859, John M. Reay.

FDDDdBb. Almira Bamford (Be46.D,E,F,H.), b 1.9.1842, IN, d 3.29.1896, Santa Rosa, Sonoma Co., CA; m 9.13.1865, to Harvey Gregory.

FDDDdBc. Josephine Bamford (Be46.E.), b 1846, Muscatine Co., IA; d young.

FDDDdBd. Amanda Caroline Bamford (Be46.A,B,D,E,G,H), b 3.18.1851, Muscatine Co., IA, d 2.29.1931, Oakland, CA, bur Santa Rosa, CA; m 1.1.1868, Muscatine, IA, to Winfield Scott Gilbert (Be46.B,D,E,H.), carpenter, b 6.2.1846, Muscatine Co., IA, d 11.21.1919, Oakland, CA; bur Santa Rosa, CA; 4 CH: (a) Phoebe, (B) Chester, (c) Marie C. (Caroline M.), and (D) William L. Gilbert; selected DESC:

FDDDdBda. Phoebe Adele Gilbert (Be46.D,E.), b 8.7.1871/2, Muscatine Co., IA, d 7.11.1957, Oakland, CA, bur Santa Rosa, CA; spinster.

FDDDdBdB. Chester Clyde Gilbert (Be46.E,G.), b 10.9.1875, Muscatine IA, Dentist, d----; m 1.18.1899, Stockton, CA, to Olive Crose; no CH.

FDDDdBdc. Marie Caroline ("Caroline Marie") Gilbert (Be46.B,E,H.), Bakery Owner, b 1.1.1879, Nichols, Muscatine Co., IA, d 6.15.1946, San Francisco, CA, bur Santa Rosa, CA; m 3.3.1907, Santa Rosa, CA, to McMillan Jones (Be46.B.), Doctor, b 2.7.1877, Paris, IL, d 7.27.1917, Paris, IL; 2 CH: (A) Gilbert and (B) Owen; selected DESC:

FDDDdBdcA. Gilbert Ten Broeck Jones (Be46.I.), b 7.7.1908, Cheyenne, WY, d 9.--.1974, Long Beach, CA; m Crystal ----.

FDDDdBdcB. Owen Scott Jones (Be46I), b 12.20.1912, Sheridan, Sheridan Co., WY, d 8.28.1971 (Be46B), Orinda, CA, bur Santa Rosa, CA. He was an engineer, who was m (Be46A) 10.30.1937, Alameda, CA, to Shirley Neville Statler (Be46I), b 9.2.1913, Oakland, CA; 2 CH: Sandra and Janet Jones; DESC:

FDDDdBdcBa. Sandra Gail Jones, mathematics teacher studying engineering (1977) and a **corresponding cousin** (Be46:Be46I,A), b 5.7.1943, Alameda, CA. Sandra's query in **The Loyalist Gazette,** Toronto, in 1975 (Ba:S.133.), later caught this searcher's eye and the Bamford-Bentley descendants thus became known. Sandra m (Be46A) 10.24.1964, Walnut

Creek, CA, to Dennis Earle Davis (Be46I), engineer, b 11.11.1942, Portland, OR; res (1977): **Fair Oaks, CA**; 2 CH and 1 adopted CH:

FDDDdBdcBaa. Carolyn Denise Davis, b 12.27.1967, Sacramento, CA.

FDDDdBdcBab. Cynthia Janette Davis, b 6.24.1970, Sacramento, CA.

(1) Anthony Gomez Davis, b 9.10.1972, Sacramento, CA (Be46I).

Sandra m secondly Mr. Hall; res (1981): 5324 Apple Tree, Orangeville, CA.

FDDDdBdcBb. Janet Shirley Jones (Be46I), b 5.12.1946, Alameda, CA; m **first** Kenneth Germann, m **secondly** David Biandi.

FDDDdBdD. William Lester Gilbert (Be46.B,E,H.), b 1.23.1881, Nichols, Muscatine Co., IA, d 2.8.1911, Berkeley, CA; bachelor.

FDDDdBe. Mary Icaphine Bamford (Be46.B,E.), b 6.23.1856, Muscatine, IA; d 1.29.1924, Santa Rosa, CA; m George Lehman.

FDDDdBf. Phoebe Luella Bamford (Be46.B,E.), b 9.7.1859, Muscatine, IA.

FDDDdc. Philena Bamford (**dtr** Bamford, b ca 1800-1810, NY) (Be46.C,E.), b 1810, near Geneseo, Livingston Co., NY, d 1871; m ca 1836, Henry Co., IN, to George Wiles, b ca 1815, of IN, d 1858 (Be44); their 5 CH (Be44):

FDDDdca. Mary Wiles, b 1837, of IN, d 1896, m John Lindsey.

FDDDdcb. Sarah Wiles, b 1842, of IN, d 1890, m Isaac Risley.

FDDDdcc. Louisa Wiles, b 1846, of IN, d 1904, m Andrew Lane.

FDDDdcd. Philena Wiles, b ca 1850, of IN; m 1878, to Edgar Thompson.

FDDDdce. Hattie Wiles, b 1854, of IN, d 1878; m Jacob Flock.

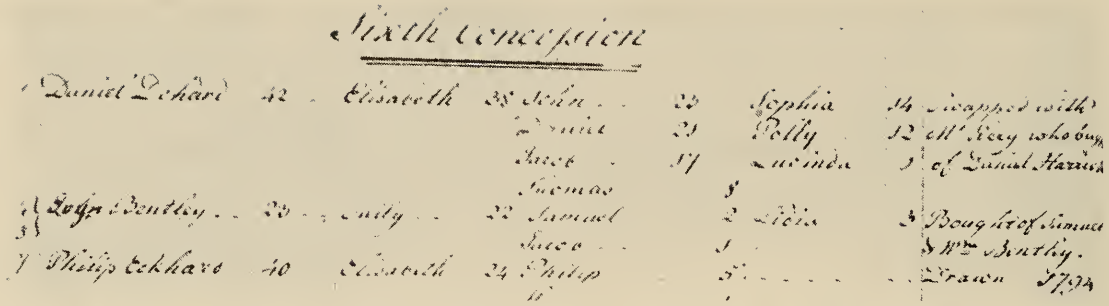
FDDDdD. George Washington Bamford (Be46C,E,H), b 1813, NY, d ca 1881 (IN-?), m 3.11.1834, Vermillion Co., IN, to Elizabeth "Fandan" (Be46E,H). Samuel B. Bamford made the written statement that his brother "Washington" died at the age of 68 y (Be46C). According to Gail C. M. Conway, quoting the "Moses Bamford Genealogy," by Morris Bamford **(Be:FDDDdABA.)** (Be44):

George W. Bamford, b 1812, Batavia, Genesee Co., NY (Batavia is located 33 mi WSW of Rochester), d 1878, **Anamosa, IA;** m 1833, to Elizabeth "Fagan," b 1815, of IN, d 1893, Pottawotamie Co., IA. Their 3 CH:

FDDDdDA. Lafayette Bamford, b 1834, IN; d 1901; m 1859, to Sarah Shelly.

FDDDdDB. Austin B. Bamford, b ca 1836, of IN, m Clara Swett.

FDDDdDc. Salina C. Bamford, b ca 1838, of IN, m George W. Alsup, b ca 1834, of IN; their 4 CH (Be44):



Names and ages of the members of the Family of Ira Bentley, Be:FDDDE., and wife Sally (Beam) appear in the "Berczy Census Report of 1804 for Markham" then in York Co., Ontario, Canada. Courtesy of the Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa.

FDDDdDca. Phebe Alsup, b ca 1860, of IN, m (unk) Alexander.

FDDDdDcb. Jennie Alsup, b ca 1862, of IN, m (unk) Hubbard.

FDDDdDcc. Josephine Alsup, b ca 1864, of IN, m (unk) Carey.

FDDDdDcd. Georgia Alsup, b ca 1866, of IN, m (unk) Ferman ("Furman"--?).

Moses Bamford, husband of SAMUEL BENTLEY'S dtr, his **first** wife, was **m secondly 5.23.1822, Knox Co., IN,** to Elizabeth Moppin (Be46.A,F.). As of 9.1977, this searcher has no further information regarding the **second** marriage of Moses Bamford.

FDDDE. Ira Bentley, SAMUEL'S son (Be15E), b 1780 ca (Be13C), birth place unknown, d before 1825 (Be51), m 11.28.1799, Lincoln Co. (then in District of Niagara, Upper Canada) ON, Canada, to Sarah Beam, by Robert Nelles, J. P. (Be52). Sarah Beam was b ca 1781 (Be13C) or b 1781 (Be51), birth place unknown; d 1866 (Be51) or d 12.25.1866, Grimsby Twp, Lincoln Co., Province of Canada (now Ontario) (Be53). Sarah was the dtr of Jacob Beam (Be15D) or dtr of Jacob Beam, Sr. and Catherine (maiden surname unknown) (Be51). Widow Sarah (Beam) Bentley m **secondly** Amos Lyons of Gainsborough, marriage license issued 4.15.1825 (Be51). Sarah was buried beside the remains of her brother John in the St. Andrew's Baptist Church Churchyard, Beamsville, Grimsby Twp (N or S), Lincoln Co., Ontario, Canada (Be51). Did Ira die during the War of 1812? See Be122.B (Treason).

Ira[1] and Sarah (Beam) Bentley had these 7 CH (others?):

FDDDEa. Lydia ("Lidia") Bentley, b 1800 ca (Be13C).

FDDDEB. Samuel Bentley, b 1801 ca (Be13C).

FDDDEC. Jacob Bentley, b 1802 ca (Be13C).

FDDDEd. Catherine Bentley (Be53), ca 1806 (Be56), b ca 1801 (Be57).

FDDDEE. Ira Bentley (Be53), b (?).

FDDDEf. Anna Bentley (Be53), b (?).

FDDDEg. Asmana Bentley (Be53), b (?).

In his Upper Canada Land Petition #85 of 8.28.1801, for 200 acres in Markham, Ira Bentley stated that he had been in the Province for two years before — Twp of Clinton, that he "has a wife and one child." His father, three brothers, and three other relations were stated to be living in Markham. Ira Bentley was referred to as a "Clinton farmer married to the daughter of Jacob Beam of Clinton Twp." (Be15D). In 1804 (also 1803?) the location of his land was given as Lots 4 and 5 of Con. 6, Markham Twp, York Co. (Be13C). The land was "bought of Samuel and W'm Bentley" (Be13C).

Apparently Ira Bentley arrived in Upper Canada (now Ontario) ca 1799, lived in Clinton Twp., Lincoln Co. (in Niagara District then), before moving to Lot 29 of Con. 2 (200 acres) (O.C.9.1.1801), which he sold to Jacob Baxter in 1805, when he purchased (from Shivers) Lot 5 on Con 6, Markham. A complete trace of his itinerary is unknown, at present.

According to the information recorded on the Deed for Lot 5 on Con. 6, Markham Twp, York Co., Ontario (Be16E), the land had been a Crown Grant to Conjent Shivers who signed it over to Ira Bentley in 1805. Ira Bentley and wife granted it to Joseph Reesor in 1808, and to Daniel D. Hart in 1809, who deeded the E¼ to Justin Badgerow (believed to be Ira's brother Reuben's future daughter-in-law's uncle) 1809 - 1811. Then in 1807 - 1816 Ira Bentley deeded W½ to Elijah Bentley (believed to be Ira's brother), who is named as grantor in 1819 and 1822 - 1824. Ambrose Noble (Justin Badgerow's son-in-law) got a part of it from John Winn.

A complete copy of **Upper Canada Land Petition (Rg-1, L-3) B5/85 (Reel C-1621)** follows for **Ira Bentl(e)y, Be:FDDDE. (Be15.D.).**

I do hereby Certify, that the bearer **Ira Bently Came into this Province about two years ago, and Since then, resided in the Township of Clinton; he has a Wife and one Child — he has two horses one Cow & Some young Cattle —**

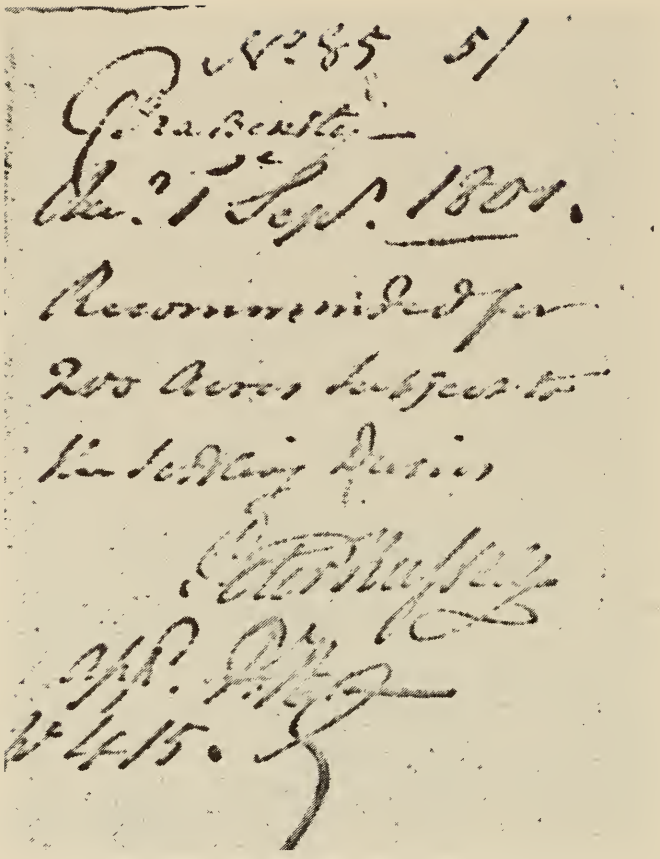
August 28th 1801 **Rob't Nelles** (signature)

85a.

To His Excellency Peter Hunter Esquire, Lieut. Governor of the Province of Upper Canada &c &c &c —
In Council
The Petition of **Ira Bently,** of the **Township of Clinton, Farmer** —
Humbly sheweth

That your Petitioner has been about two years in the Province, and is married to a Daughter of Jacob Beam of the above named Township — That Your Petitioner has six head of Horned Cattle, a pair of Horses, and other property, and being desirous to make a Settlement, humbly prays your Excellency would be pleased to grant him 200 acres of Land and Your Petitioner as in duty bound shall ever pray —

[1]On the **Berczy C.R. of 1804** (Be13C), the name "Ira" is somewhat illegible and could be misread "Jno" for "John."



Courtesy of the Public Archives of Canada.

York, 31 August, 1801 —

his
Ira X Bently
mark

witness F. (?) Ridout
J. P. (?)

Marginal note on petition:

"The Petitioner has his Father, 3 Brothers & three other relations living in Markham."

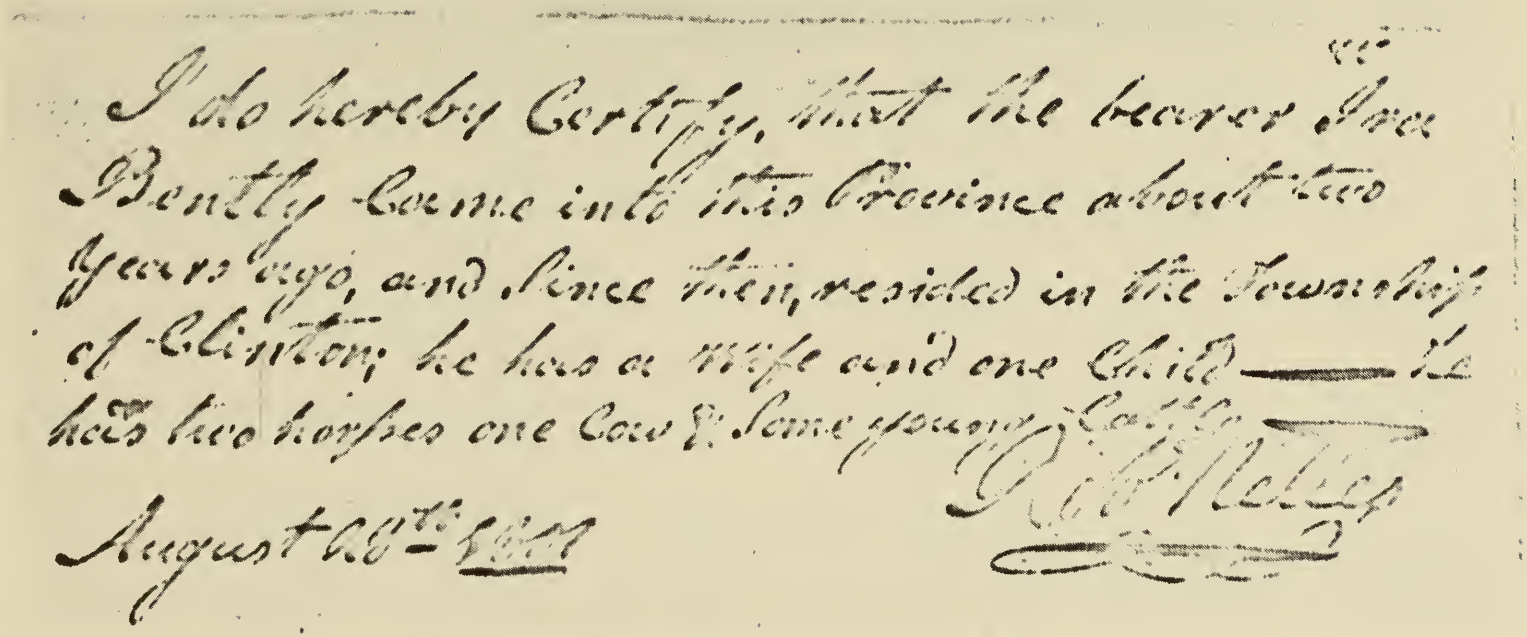
Petition Cover:

No. 85. Ira Bently — Rec. 1 Sept. 1801.

Recommended for 200 Acres Subject to the Settling Duties

App. 415 Peter Russell.

The only record for any "Bentley" in Lincoln Co. that this searcher was able to locate during a brief search was for **Ira Bentley, dated 1800.** A microfilm was read in the Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, 8.1977, for the "Clinton Township" Minute Book (Be53). Stock ear-mark



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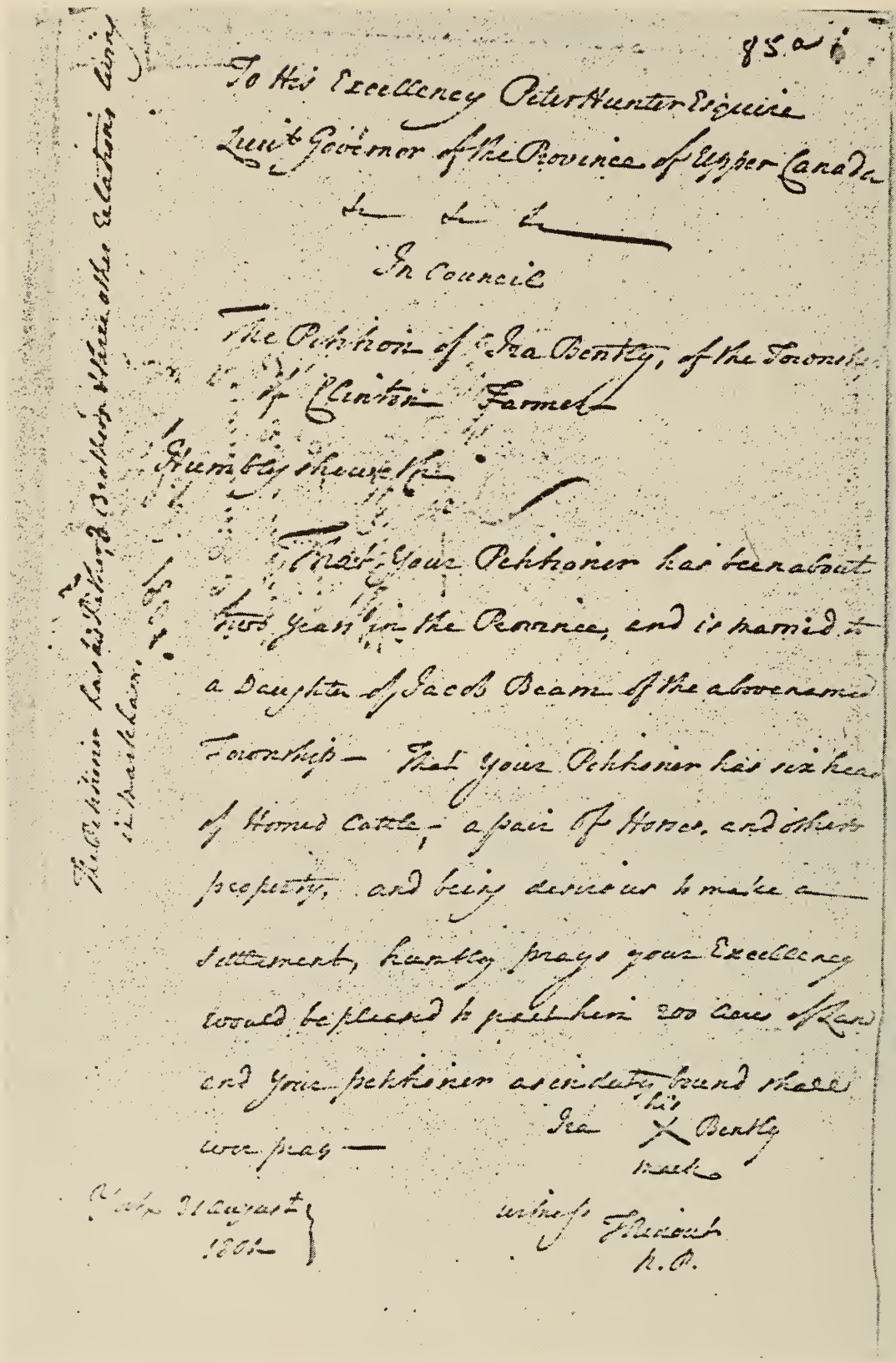

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N.P.

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Ontario 31 August 1806

Courtesy of the Public Archives of Canada.

data for the farmers emerged. Disclosed also was enlightening information regarding the number of inhabitants.

The earliest "Clinton Township Municipal Council Minutes" were dated "1793." Named is "Jacob Beaum — one of two Town Wardens." Written in a different hand and in lighter ink was the added note: "Jacob Beam came to Canada 1788." List of House Holders for Twp No. 5, for the year 1793, is as follows: "House holders 43 (and) Children 70 m (and) 61 f"

1796: Inhabitants of Twp of Clinton:
"Inhab. 52 (and) Chr 72 M (and) 75 F"

1798: Men Women & Children: 130 males, 136 females.

1799: "Agreed by the Inhabitants of the Township of Clinton this 4th of March 1799 to pay one shilling — Head for every Wolf killed within the township — recorded by the Town Clerk" (David Adair)

"Application is to be made for payment to any magistrate for the said Bounty he takeing his oath where it was killed —"

1800: List of the Inhabitants of the Township of Clinton in the year 1800 — m 232 f 194.

A list of farmers and descriptions of their stock marks includes:

"Ira Bently's Mark for Cattle Sheep and Hogs is A Hole in the
Off Ear and a Crop of the Near d'o."
The writing added around the name "Ira" was "gon" and "Gone away;" and the foregoing description X'ed out with a single "X."

1801: List of Inhab. = 249 m 296 f.

1802: List of Inhab. = 282 m 277 f.

On the morning of August 3, 1977, in the Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, this searcher very figuratively flipped a coin to decide whether (1) he would go to the stacks in search of any literature that might lead to identifying and classifying any of Ira Bentley's **(Be:FDDDE.)** descendants or (2) go directly to the microfilm reader and begin the hours of scanning the probate and census records for the Co. of Lincoln for the same purpose. That split-second decision was made by this searcher as he entered the hallway leading from the card catalogs to the doorway where a left meant "microfilm reading" or a right turn meant "searching the Canadian printed matter in the stacks." The decision to zag rather than to zig made this trace of Ira and Sarah (Beam) Bentley's descendants possible.

"Locating the literature" was made by simply walking along the stacks to see what could be found in the Ontario area, particularly for Lincoln Co. After finding the "gems" and xeroxing them, the microfilm reading began. Once a person sits down in front of one of those microfilm readers, hours become minutes. The concentration required for successfully gleaning the microfilms was too demanding to return to the stacks. At one time during the

five-days in the Library, as many as thirty reels of microfilm were stacked in rows with paper tabs inserted for categorizing.

The whirlwind "eye-balling" technique from early in the morning until closing ca 10:00 p.m. at night began to pay off. Three probate records regarding the descendants of Ira Bentley were located in the microfilms.

This searcher had gone to the stacks first and learned from the booklet entitled **Annals of the Forty, 1784—1818** (Be51.) that Sarah (Sally) Beam, after her husband Ira Bentley's death, had remarried **and changed her name to Mrs. Amos Lyons**!! Some of the anonymous descendants of Ira Bentley now could be found. None of them were named in the booklet, but the leads were provided. A detective without a clue is like a horse without a shoe. You can't get anywhere without it. If the literature in the stacks had been ignored that morning, the wills would never have been found. Who would **ever** look for "Lyons?" With this knowledge, probate and census records were scanned by this "tiger" stalking his "Lyons."

The searcher pauses for a moment reflecting and wondering just how many other leads were lost because of the pressure of time and the inability of just one person to ride off into seventeen different directions at once. That, dear reader, is the prime reason why the publication of this very book that you are reading has become a **"MUST."**

More searchers and researchers have the **keys** now to open more doors leading to more brilliant passages that shall enlighten thousands upon thousands of future descendants who otherwise would hold no key to the past. To share personally-discovered genealogical-data has been an ambition of this searcher for over seventeen years. What has been discovered must be preserved for others to share and for others to give and for others to actively participate in the good search. This your searcher believes.

The following extracts are from the history of **Jacob Beam Sr.** "who founded Beamsville." The history was written by Robert Kemp, historian of the Baptist Church, Beamsville, and reprinted in R. J. Powell's booklet (Be51), in 1950.

> **Beamsville** was founded about 1790 by **Jacob Beam,** a **Loyalist** of **Pennsylvania Dutch extraction,** who came to Upper Canada in 1788. As appears from his applications for land, Jacob Beam had been a farmer in **Sussex County, New Jersey,** during the American Revolution and had been clapped in irons, fined 500 pounds and had forfeited his lands for having aided the British prisoners to escape... there is no doubt that Jacob Beam, the founder of Beamsville, suffered during the Revolution because of his attachment to the British cause.
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> It **would appear** that at the close of the Revolution, Jacob Beam was forced to remove from Sussex County, New Jersey, where things **had perhaps** become too hot for him and he settled temporarily in the southern part of **New Jersey** in a village named **Mansfield.** Here he and his family, who had **probably been** Mennonites, came under

the influence of itinerant Baptist preachers and in **1786** formed part of a small Baptist church of eighteen members in Mansfield. Two years later **(1788)** Jacob Beam, with several of his sons, daughters, and sons-in-law (?), desirous of living under the British flag, migrated to the **Niagara peninsula in Upper Canada** and, in 1790, founded a small Baptist community in the **township of Clinton** near the mouth of the Thirty Mile Creek, where the town of Beamsville is now situated. Here Jacob Beam ultimately obtained grants amounting to over a thousand acres and he built some mills on the Thirty Mile Creek.

There is a tradition in the Beam family that he was the first person to grow peaches in the Niagara Peninsula and that the first cheese in Upper Canada was made from the milk of his cows.

He died in Beamsville in 1812 at the age of 84, having been 60 years of age when he came to Canada. He is buried in the old Baptist cemetery which is beside the present church. There are a great many people in Ontario today, who are descended from this notable pioneer and his wife, Catherine, whose maiden name is unknown.

Jacob Beam, Sr. settled on Lot 15, Concessions 3 and 4, Clinton Twp, Lincoln Co. In 1808, he made a gift of the present site for a church, school and burying ground.

Jacob Beam, Sr. and Catherine had these CH (in random order): (1) Lewis Beam, b 1759, m Anna, b 1770; (2) Susannah Beam, m 1792 to Jacob Smith, Jr. of Glanford and Saltfleet; (3) Catherine Beam, b 1766, m Samuel Merrill, b 1758; (4) Peter Beam, War of 1812 record; (5) Jacob Beam, b 1773, m 1803, to Mary Boughner, b 1774; (6) John Beam, b 1775, m 1804 to Deborah Bell, b 1779, dtr of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Pettit) Bell; (7) Anna Beam, b 1779, m 1796 to Samuel Corwin, b 1767; (8) **Sarah Beam, b 1781, m first in 1799 to Ira Bentley, m secondly in 1825 to Amos Lynns;** (9) **Alice Beam, b 1762, m first William Kitchen, b 1761 in NEW JERSEY** (William, a Loyalist from New Jersey, came into the Niagara district in the early years; more information on him in **Niagara Historical Paper** No. 26); m secondly Jonathan Woolverton; and (10) Margaret Beam, m Elias Anderson.

The ninth offspring named, Alice Beam, and her first husband William Kitchen had a dtr Mary born **ca 1780 in New Jersey.** The fifth-named offspring, Jacob Beam, married Mary Boughner, believed to have been a descendant of the New Jersey Boughner family. Ernest Green, historian, is quoted (Be51) as having stated that the family of Boughner, commonly called Buckner, came from Holland or Germany to America and settled near **Newtown, Sussex Co., in northern New Jersey.** The members of this family were stout Loyalists and came to Canada after the War of the Revolution. In his Will of 1791, John Buchner, who settled in **Sussex Co., New Jersey,** ca 1753, named his wife Catherine and ten of his children (Be51, incl. info. by Mrs. Orren A. Hanley, whose maiden surname was Buchner).

On page 25 of R. Janet Powell's compilation entitled **Annals of the Forty, 1784 -- 1818** (Be51), some of the offspring of Jacob Beam, Sr. and his wife Catherine are named. Among them is the name of their daughter Sarah Beam with this **verbatim** quotation:

Sarah Beam — born in 1781, married
1. **Ira Bentley** 28 Nov. 1799.
2. **Amos Lyons** of Gainsborough.
Licence issued 15 April 1825.
Sarah was buried beside her brother
John in Beamsville churchyard.
Sarah Lyons, 1781 — 1866.

With this valuable information in hand, the next decision was to immediately follow the new lead(s): "Sarah Lyons," d 1866; "Amos Lyons," no date of death; "Ira Bentley," no date of death. Undoubtedly, the best opportunity for an excellend find was in the follow-up search to be based on the clue "Sarah Lyons" — **d 1866.**

Perhaps a **probate record** dated 1866 or a little later could be located. It was worth a good try! Back to the card catalog this searcher moved. Located in seconds was the card headed **Ontario** (Province in Canada), **Lincoln County, Probate; Microfilm Index 579,149;** reading "Lincoln County Court House Bldg, St. Catharines, Ontario; Index Books for Years 1794—1961."

After locating the microfilm in the huge file on the first floor, this searcher inserted it in a reader to find this information:[1]

"Lyons, Sarah — Probate — Reg. Book 8.127 — **1876."** Microfilm No. 579,151 would be the correct one for the year **1876**, the year of the probate record for **Sarah Lyons,** the mother of **Ira Bentley's children.**

According to the "Surrogate Court Record, Lincoln Co." (Province of Ontario, Dominion of Canada), the Will of Widow Sarah Lyons was proved on January 25, 1876. This searcher's notes follow:

Widow Sarah Lyons, **d 12.25.1866, Grimsby Twp, Lincoln Co.,** Province of Canada (now "Province of Ontario"). The executor was indicated as "friend" Jacob Kennedy of Gainsborough Twp, Lincoln Co. The following persons were named in her Will (Be53):

Relationship	**Name** (w some inc. sp.?)
Daughter	Catharine Hurst
Son	**Ira Bently** (res. not stated)
Daughter	Anna Kelsey

[1]While searching in this Index, the following was also noted: (1) Plumb, Josiah B. — Probate — Reg. Book 9.616 — 1889. (2) Plumb, Elizabeth — Probate of Niagara — 7.472 — 1872. Could these Plumbs be related to Samuel Bentley's dtr who married a Joseph Plumb? Before continuing the **Sarah Lyons** probate-record search, I gleaned 7.472 (1872) and found:
"**Plumb,** Elizabeth wife of late Josiah Burr Plumb, 12.20.1868, Niagara, Lincoln Co., Ontario; her brother, Thomas Clarke Street; proved 10.17.1872." At that time, not being able to relate to any of this information, I turned to the record for Sarah Lyons.

Daughter	Asmana Rois ("Ross"--?)
Brother	Jacob Beam ("late of Twp of Clinton")
Brother	John Beam, deceased
	Sarah (her X mark) Lyons

Sarah's **Will** was written on Feburary 14, 1864. No mention is made of any land. The two witnesses were Rowley Kilborn of the Twp of Clinton and Richard Alfred Hurst of the Twp of Grimsby, Yeoman.

Postponing everything else, this searcher removed the reel of microfilm and take-up reel to keep the place on the film for the Will, walked gingerly to the elevator, and rose to the fourth floor. There the probate record for Sarah Lyons was duplicated on paper by a microfilm printer. Reflecting on the significance of the discovery, this pleased searcher sauntered over to the nearest fourth-floor window of the Genealogical Society Library and respectfully gazed out over Salt Lake City, UT. The proverbial haystack containing the lost needle is here, all right, but only the persistent searcher who seeks shall ever find that needle.

Ira Bentley (Be:FDDDE.), Samuel's son, b ca 1780, d before 1825, m 11.28.1799, Lincoln Co., Ontario, to Sally Beam, Jacob's dtr, b 1781, d 12.25.1866, Grimsby Twp, Lincoln Co. (District of Niagara, now Province of Ontario, Canada). Ira Bentley's wife Sarah Beam Bentley, at the time of her death, was known as **Widow Sarah Lyons,** widow of her **first** husband Ira Bentley and widow of her **second** husband Amos Lyons. Sarah was 44 years old at the time of her marriage to Amos Lyons and very likely was **not** a mother again. The names of the seven known children were determined from (1) the Markham land petition dated 8.28.1801 (Be15D) and the Berczy 1804 Markham Census Record (Be13C) for the oldest three, from (2) Sarah's Will (Be53) and Census Reports (Be56, 57) for their fourth child, and (3) only Sarah's Will (Be53) for the youngest three (uncertain birth sequence).

The names of the **known** children of Ira Bentley and Sarah Beam are:

FDDDEa. Lydia Bentley, b 1800.

FDDDEB. Samuel Bentley, b 1801/2.

FDDDEC. Jacob Bentley, b 1802/3.

FDDDEd. Catherine Bentley, b 1805/6, m James Hurst.

FDDDEE. Ira Bentley.

FDDDEf. Anna Bentley, m (anon.) Kelsey.

FDDDEg. Asmana Bentley, m (anon.) Rois.

FDDDEa. Lydia Bentley, b ca 1800, likely in Clinton Twp, Lincoln Co. (Niagara District then), Ontario, Canada, was the dtr of Ira Bentley, Samuel's son, and Sally Beam, dtr of Jacob Beam of Clinton Twp (Be13C, Be15D).

Lydia's father Ira Bentley, in his Upper Canada Land Petition made on 8.28.1801, stated that he was in the Province for two years before, in the Twp of Clinton [1] In 1801 Ira was referred to as a "Clinton farmer married to the daughter of Jacob Beam of Clinton Twp," having one child (Be15D).

In the 1804 Census Report (Berczy) for Markham (probably made in 1803), the names of Ira and Sally Bentley's three children with respective ages are given. By subtracting each of their ages from 1803 (instead of 1804) their respective years of birth are determined, approximately.

(1) Lidia Bentley	age 3	b 1800 ca
(2) Samuel Bentley	age 2	b 1801 ca
(3) Jacob Bentley	age 1	b 1802 (Be13C).

Not until June of 1978, did this searcher correspond with two of Lydia's descendants carrying out genealogical investigation. A letter arrived from Sarasota, FL, from Mrs. Walter J. (Lillian Roest) Gatherer (Be320.) who wrote that she obtained this searcher's name and address while searching for the Ellsworths in Sanilac County, MI, from a Mrs. John D. Bacon of Grand Blanc, MI, a former correspondent of this searcher who undoubtedly had seen one of this searcher's 1978 queries regarding the "Bentleys" **et al**.

Mrs. Lillian Roest Gatherer sent me xeroxed copies regarding certain descendants of Lydia's. She also enclosed a copy of a query from the **Genealogical Helper** periodical by Mrs. C. R. Hurdle. The query (H390--dated?) included this information: ". . . William Ellsworth, b 1797, Cornwall, VT, and w, Lydia Bentl(e)y, b 1800, NY." Since Mrs. Chellis Ray (Mary Josephine Mason) Hurdle or "Jo" lived in nearby Whittier, CA, we exchanged greetings by telephone. Cousin Jo and this searcher met at her home in Whittier, CA, on June 30, 1978, and compared notes. Cousin Jo has been a searcher-researcher for 18 years. Jo's research notes with those of Lillian's and those of both Hattie May (Ellsworth) Hanley (**Be:FDDDEaIb.**) and John C. Higgins (notes of the latter two now in Jo's possession) have made the inclusion of Lydia Bentley's descendants here a reality.

Lydia Bentley (Be347.) (Be:FDDDEa.), b ca 1800 (Be13C), b 9.12.1800 (Be323.) (?), d 1.3.1851, Worth Twp, Sanilac Co., MI (on the original farm one and a half miles south of the community that is now Lexington), where the Ellsworths settled in 1837. Lydia Bentley m 9.12.1821, NY (Be323.) (?), William Ellsworth, b 7.9.1797, Middlebury (or Cornwall?), Addison Co., VT, d 6.15.1865, Worth Twp, Sanilac Co., MI.

From a biographical album for **Gratiot Co., MI** (1884), the following was extracted (Be346.). **Lydia Bentley**, native of Canada, d in Sanilac Co, MI, was m to **William Ellsworth,** native of VT, d in Sanilac Co, MI, a farmer in NY, who removed to Canada, where they lived some eight years; thence to Lexington, Sanilac Co., MI, in 1837. Their third-born child was **Ira B.**

[1]Ira's father, three brothers, and three other relations were said to be living in Markham (8.28.1801) (in Markham Twp, the Town of Markham is located about 17 mi NE of Toronto).

Ellsworth, merchant at Riverdale, Seville Township, Gratiot Co., MI, **b 5.26.1826, Erie County, NY**. . .

From another bigraphical album for Sanilac Co., MI (1884), the following was extracted (Be348.):

Lydia Bentley, who was a native of the State of New York, married **William Ellsworth,** who was a native of Middlebury, Addison, Co., VT, and they had eight children (correction: ten children). The family came to Sanilac County, Michigan, in 1837, where **Lydia d 1.15.1851. William d 6.15.1865. Edward W. Ellsworth,** manufacturer, resident of Marlette, MI, was **b 5.17.1837, London, Middlesex Co., Ontario,** the fourth son (correction: fifth son) and next to the youngest of eight (correction: ten) children born to his parents. **Edward W. Ellsworth was an infant but three months old when his parents came to Sanilac County (1837). . . (i.e. August 1837?).**

The year of 1837 was a year of turbulence in Canada and Middlesex County was also affected.

> The southern portion of Middlesex was . . . fairly settled at the time of the Rebellion of 1837-38 and most of the able-bodied men were on duty during that troublesome period. Very few of the men of Middlesex espoused the cause of the "Patriots," although there were those, and many of them too, who desired to see effected the reforms which William Lyon McKenzie and Dr. John Rolph advocated. The County, however, as a whole remained loyal, and cheerfully assisted in upholding the authority of the constituted rulers of the country. It is true a few were accused of secretly assisting in the attempted revolution, but only one resident was executed for treason. Seven men, who were brought from other places, were hanged at London for treasonable conduct, which must seem at the present day to have been an unnecessarily harsh proceeding in view of the fact that the ringleaders in the Rebellion were pardoned, and indeed Rolph and McKenzie were afterwards elected to Parliament. Many persons were arrested on suspicion and confined in London gaol, but the advent to Vice Regal authority of Lord Durham saw them all released, and the country, if not contented, was at least peaceful. (Be335.)

From the **Bible** transcription-record **(Be321.)** of Lydia Bentley's granddaughter Adeline Lucy Shenick, dtr of Harriet Ellsworth, the birth dates (complete) for all ten children of William Ellsworth and Lydia Bentley were obtained (other earlier source?). On the basis of these birth dates, the ten children are correctly named in birth sequence and classified accordingly. Five CH were named with ages in 1850 CR **(Be349.).***

FDDDEaA. James W. Ellsworth, b 10.31.1822.

FDDDEab. Helen Ann Ellsworth, b 2.1.1824.

FDDDEaC. Ira Bentley Ellsworth, b 5.6.1826; b ca 1826*.

FDDDEad. Sarah E. Ellsworth, b 6.28.1828.

FDDDEaE. Amos Lyons Ellsworth, b 6.28.1828; b ca 1830*.

FDDDEaf. Harriet A. Ellsworth, b 8.1.1831.

FDDDEag. Mary R. Ellsworth, b 6.8.1833.

FDDDEaH. Austin R. Ellsworth, b 4.27.1835; b ca 1835*.

FDDDEaI. Edward William Ellsworth, b 5.17.1837; b ca 1837*.

FDDDEaj. Julina Emma Ellsworth, b 12.18.1841; b ca 1841*.

Their selected DESC:

FDDDEaA. James W. Ellsworth, b 10.31.1822, NY (Be321.); d --.--.1835, unmarried.

FDDDEab. Helen Ann Ellsworth, b 2.1.1824, d 3.19.1844, (Be321.), m 7.11.1839, Worth Twp, Sanilac Co., MI, to James Hughes. Their res was in Worth Twp about one and one-half mi. S of Lexington.

FDDDEaC. Ira Bentley Ellsworth, b ca 1826 (Be349.), b 5.6.1826, Erie Co., NY (Be321.) (Be346.).

According to a Gratiot County, MI, biographical album (Be346.), the third-born child of William and Lydia (Bentley) Ellsworth was Ira B. Ellsworth, merchant at Riverdale, Seville Twp, Gratiot Co., MI, b 5.26.1826, Erie Co., NY (1884 source).

Other illuminating biographical information about Ira appeared in the album. Ira lived at home until he was 18 years old, when he lived a year with a Mr. Hurd in Marshall (Calhoun Co., about 12 mi. ESE of Battle Creek), MI. He returned to Lexington and for five years following was engaged in farming. He was then for six seasons on the waters of Lakes Huron and Erie, sailing to Cleveland and Sandusky. Arriving in Montcalm County (MI) in 1861, he followed farming seven or eight years.

During the Civil War he enlisted on 10.16.1864, in Co. A, 1st Michigan Eng. and Mech., and served under General Sherman. The regiment participated in the battles around Knoxville, but was principally occupied in such work as repairing bridges. He was discharged in Montcalm County. They removed to Millbrook in 1871, and to Stanton three years later. They then lived a short time at Belltown (known as "Sumner" later), and for a year kept a hotel at Ithaca. His last move was to Riverdale, where he also engaged in the hotel business, following that a little over four years, before entering mercantile life (Be346.).

At the time of his enlistment into the Union Army, in Grand Rapids, MI, August 25, 1864, Ira was 38 years old, a carpenter by trade. He was described as having hazel eyes, auburn hair, florid complexion, and height of 5 feet 7 inches. Included were the statements: "Bounty paid $33.33" and "Where credited: 4th Cong. Dist., Fair Plains, Montcalm Co." His rank was Pvt., Second Class. He served in Company A, 1st Regiment Michigan Engineers and Mechanics. He was injured near Beaufort, SC, 2.1.1865 (Be320A.).

Ira Bentley Ellsworth was m **first** 2.8.1848, Lexington, Sanilac Co., MI, to Almira VanCamp, John's dtr, b 1829, Canada, d before 1860, Sanilac Co., MI. Names of five children are given (Be346.); however descendant Lillian (Roest) Gatherer cannot account for one (Be320B.). This searcher has included here all five names with what information has been made available:

FDDDEaCa. Emeline Ellsworth, age 1 in 1850, Sanilac Co. (Be349.).

FDDDEaCB. Ira Ellsworth (Be346.); 1850 CR, "John" (?) (legibility of first name in question), age 1/12 in 1850 (Be349.) (Jefferson instead--?) (Be320.).

FDDDEaCC. Dewitt Ellsworth, b ca 1852 (age 8 in 1860) (Be320B5).

FDDDEaCD. Henry Ellsworth, b 2.1855, Sanilac Co., MI (Be320.).

FDDDEaCE. Jefferson Ellsworth (Be346.).

Ira Bentley Ellsworth m **secondly** Louisa (Colburn) Pherris, a widow; they had no CH (Be346, Be320B.).

Henry Ellsworth (Be:FDDDEaCD.), b 2.1855, Sanilac Co., MI, d 1904; occupation: barber; m 1879, Mt. Pleasant, MI, Estella Whitehead, William's dtr, b 7.1859, Wayne Co., NY, d 1902; 3 CH: William J., Lillian, and Nellie T. Ellsworth; DESC (Be320.):

FDDDEaCDA. William J. Ellsworth, b 9.1881, MI, d 11. 29.1914, bur El Paso, El Paso Co., TX, m Ella ----.

FDDDEaCDb. Lillian Ellsworth, b 7.10.1883, Mt. Pleasant, Isabella Co., MI, d 12.19.1939, bur Spokane, Spokane Co., WA, m Harry Coughlin.

FDDDEaCDc. Nellie Trude Ellsworth, b 5.24.1885, Bay City, Bay Co., MI (13 mi N of Saginaw), d 7.18.1942, Grand Rapids, MI, bur Pilgrim Home Cemetery, Holland, Ottawa Co., MI, m 8.18.1910, Howell, Livingston Co., MI, Arthur John Roest, John's son, b 3.27.1874, Holland MI, d 12.7.1950, Grand Rapids, MI, bur Pilgrim Home Cemetery, Holland, MI. Nellie at age 17 went to live with her uncle Frank Whitehead, Mt. Pleasant, MI. Nellie was a Graduate Nurse. Arthur Roest was a locomotive engineer in 1911. In 1919 he became an official on Pere Marquette, later C and O (now Chessie). Their 3 CH: Lillian L., Vivienne J., and Catherine J. (Jeanne) Roest; DESC:

FDDDEaCDca. Lillian Louise Roest, corresponding cousin (Be320), b 4.24.1911, Traverse City, Grand Traverse Co., MI, Christened 9.1911, Hope Church, Holland, MI, m 9.15.1931, Elkhart, Elkhart Co., IN, Walter John Gatherer, b 5.20.1909, Grand Rapids, Kent Co., MI; their res (1978): 3765 Village Green Drive, Sarasota, FL 33579. Walter was graduated from Western Michigan University; he was in the insurance business until his retirement.

In 1969, the Zurich-American Companies announced the appointment of Walter J. Gatherer as United States manager. He joined Zurich-American as branch manager in Cleveland in June, 1958, after 25 years of insurance ex-

perience in production and administration. In January, 1961, he was transferred to the head office in Chicago and promoted to assistant secretary in charge of group sales countrywide. In January, 1962, he became secretary of all four of the Zurich-American companies and was placed in charge of all group operations. From 1963 to 1969, he had been assistant U.S. manager of the Zurich and vice president of American Guarantee and Liability, Zurich Life, and Zurich American Life, with responsibility for all individual and group life and health and group special risk operations.

Lillian and Walter, according to a Sarasota newspaper article, attended Grand Rapids High School with ex-President Jerry Ford. Lillian shared the same study room with the president and recalled him as a "good guy" and football hero (Walter was a high school senior when Jerry and Lillian were freshmen). Although Lillian was art editor of the school annual, the book has disappeared in a succession of moves from Grand Rapids to Cleveland to Chicago to Sarasota. The article concluded with the comment, "Too bad the high school record is unavailable. It would be fun to check the 'prediction' for Gerald Ford's future." The article was written when Gerald Ford was Vice President of the United States.

Walter and Lillian (Roest) Gatherer had these 3 CH: Jerrine L., Janet L., and Walter **John** Gatherer; DESC:

FDDDEaCDcaa. Jerrine Lynne Gatherer, b 4.19.1932, Grand Rapids, Kent Co, MI, m **first** 6.19.1954, Grand Rapids, MI, Richard H. Cain, William's son, b 9.28.1930, Kalamazoo, MI, div. 1963; their 2 CH:

FDDDEaCDcaaA. Robert Murray Cain, b 9.21.1957, Grand Rapids, MI; in college (1978) in Boston, MA.

FDDDEaCDcaaB. Peter John Cain, b 5.9.1960, Cleveland, OH; was graduated from the American School in Tehran, Iran, 1978.

Jerrine Lynne Gatherer (Be:FDDDEaCDcaa.) m **secondly** 8.1.1964, Glenview, IL, Lawrence R. Grim, Clarence's son, b 2.12.1932, Toledo, OH. Jerrine and Lawrence are teaching in the American School in Tehran, Iran (1978). Jerrine with a major in Art, is a graduate of Western Michigan University, her father's Alma Mater. Their two CH:

FDDDEaCDcaaC. Andrew Douglas Grim, b 8.27.1966, Tripoli, Libya, North Africa, twin.

FDDDEaCDcaaD. Michael Arthur Grim, b 8.27.1966, Tripoli, Libya, North Africa, twin.

FDDDEaCDcab. Janet Leigh Gatherer, b 1.2.1936, Grand Rapids, Kent Co., MI, m 12.28.1957, Grand Rapids, MI, John D. Boyles, Gerald's son, b 7.19.1934, Grand Rapids, MI. Janet was graduated from the U. of Michigan in 1958; John received his LLB Degree in 1959. John is a practicing attorney in Grand Rapids (1978). Their 3 CH:

FDDDEaCDcaba. Lynne Duval Boyles, b 4.2.1959, Ann Arbor, MI.

FDDDEaCDcabb. Jane Gatherer Boyles, b 8.25.1961, Grand Rapids, MI.

FDDDEaCDcabC. Peter John Boyles, b 3.4.1966, Grand Rapids, MI.

FDDDEaCDcaC. Walter **John** Gatherer, b 12.27.1941, Grand Rapids, Kent Co., MI. John works for National Share Data Corp., Chicago, IL. He was educated at the University of Michigan.

FDDDEaCDcb. Vivienne Janet Roest, b 1.9.1913, Traverse City, Grand Traverse Co., MI, 6.28.1936, Grand Rapids, MI, to Lester James Lloyd, Charles' son, b 11.30.1910, Mt. Pleasant, MI; 2 CH:

FDDDEaCDcbA. James Sanford Lloyd, b 5.10.1939, Grand Rapids, MI, m Mary Turlington, b 9.27.1939, Lumberton, NC.

FDDDEaCDcbb. Heidi Ellsworth Lloyd, b 5.2.1943, Grand Rapids, MI.

FDDDEaCDcc. Catherine Jerrine (Jeanne) Roest, b 3.1.1918, Traverse City, Grand Traverse Co., MI; d 1.9.1965, Grand Rapids, MI; m 2.11.1939, Grand Rapids, MI, William Richard Lewis, William's son. He was b 1.17.1916, Grand Rapids, MI; d 6.3.1978, Grand Rapids, MI. Jeanne was a nurse, graduate of St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing, Grand Rapids, MI. Their 4 CH:

FDDDEaCDcca. Judy Marie Lewis, b 9.3.1940, Grand Rapids, MI; m 10.10.1964, Jay De Glopper; div. 3.26.1973.

FDDDEaCDccb. Linda Kathleen Lewis, b 5.9.1944, Grand Rapids, MI; m 7.25.1964, Richard L. Heiny.

FDDDEaCDccC. William Richard Lewis III, b 5.9.1945, Grand Rapids, MI.

FDDDEaCDccd. Margaret Jeanne Lewis, b Grand Rapids, MI.

FDDDEaCE. Jefferson Ellsworth (Be346.).

FDDDEad. Sarah E. Ellsworth, Lydia's dtr, b 6.28.1828, NY (Be321.); m 3.19.1844, Alexander Hitchcock. They settled in Dakota Territory (the part that is now North Dakota). Their 6 CH (Be323.):

FDDDEadA. Amos A. Hitchcock

FDDDEadB. Charles A. Hitchcock

FDDDEadc. Mary L. Hitchcock

FDDDEadd. Ida E. Hitchcock

FDDDEade. Patience S. Hitchcock

FDDDEadf. Lucinda S. Hitchcock

FDDDEaE. Amos Lyons Ellsworth, b ca 1830 (Be349.), b 6.28.1830, NY (Be321.); m 1848, Eleanor (Beardslee) Mann; 1 CH (Be322.):

FDDDEaEa. Libby Ellsworth, m (anon.) Shappee.

FDDDEaf. Harriet A. Ellsworth (Be347.), b 8.1.1831 (Be332.), London Twp, Middlesex Co., ON, Canada (Be321.); d 7.14.1894, Lexington, Sanilac Co., MI, m 12.16.1846, at age 15 y, of Lissington Twp, St. Clair Co., MI, to Richard D. (Duncombe--?--Be3222.) Shenick, aged 20 y, of Lissington Twp, St. Clair Co., MI, by Justice of the Peace C. M. Mills (b 343.). Richard D. Shenick, b 1826, d 1910 (Be321.).

According to a biographical album of Sanilac County, MI, pub. 1884 (Be347.), Harriet Ellsworth was dtr of William and Lydia (Bentley) Ellsworth and was b in Canada. Harriet m 1846, Lexington Twp, Sanilac Co., MI, to Richard D. Shenick, b 7.16.1826, London (Middlesex Co., ON), Canada, son of Solomon and Phebe (Phoebe) (Sails) (Sayles) ("Sherrick") Shenick.

Richard D. Shenick ("Sherrick"), manufacturer, had been a resident of Lexington (up to at least 1884) since 1838. He left home at the age of 12 years and arrived at the village of Lexington, which then included but three buildings. . . (and) at the time of his arrival Richard D. Shenick had a capital of six cents! He was chiefly in need of employ, which he obtained with little delay, and he was variously occupied until he was 20 years old, in the avenues open to laborers in that part of Michigan in its early days. In 1846 he established the foundation of his business, by beginning to manufacture wooden articles by the aid of a foot lathe, which he built himself. He had been a practical carpenter from necessity, and he gradually extended his operations until he was largely engaged in the manufacture of furniture, sash, doors, blinds, and many other articles in wood. He was also a contractor and builder, and commonly employed a working force of from 5 to 20 men. His establishment was destroyed by fire in 1879, involving a loss of between ten and fifteen thousand dollars. He immediately rebuilt on Washington Street, on the site of the former building and where he originally commenced operations. He owned a fine brick residence on the corner of Washington and Simons Streets, and a furniture store on Main Street. He also owned the village property located on both sides of and adjoining that where he resided, and 80 acres of land in the township of Worth, 40 acres of which was under culture (1887). Mr. Shenick served in the official positions of the village, and discharged the duties pertaining to the school offices. He was a prominent member of the Order of Masonry, and belonged to Lexington Commandery (Charter member) and Chapter.

The only child of Richard D. and Harriet (Ellsworth) Shenick was Adaline Shenick who m George Mason, a merchant in Lexington, Sanilac Co., MI (res: 1884).

FDDDEafa. Adeline Lucy Shenick (Be347., Be341., Be342.), b 5.2.1852, Lexington, Sanilac Co., d 12.17.1931, AE 84 y, member of St. John's Episcopal Church, interment in Oakview Cemetery; former res: Clawson, Oakland Co., MI (Be344.). She m 7.19.1870, **probably** in Lexington, Sanilac Co., MI, George Henry Mason, occupation of painter, b 12.26.1847/8, Castleton, Rutland Co., VT, son of George W. and Lucinda (Stevens)

Bentley Descendants Cameron R. Stewart, **Be:FDD-DABecEA.,** and Mary Josephine (Mason) Hurdle, **Be:FDD-DEafaBAa.,** at their first meeting on June 30, 1978, Whittier, CA.

Mason, d 4.1.1927 (Be342), Clawson, Oakland Co., MI (Be341.). Their 4 CH: (1) a baby who d inf (Be322.), (2) Charles R. (Be342.), (3) Daniel (Be341., Be344.), and (4) Raymond Mason (Be342.); their DESC:

FDDDEafa?. (anon.) Mason, b and d 12.12.1879.

FDDDEafaB. Charles Richard Mason (Be342.), BCRN:82-726 (Sandusky, MI), b 6.15.1882, Lexington, MI (Be330.), d 1.28.1920, from influenza, Royal Oak, MI. He m 4.19.1904, Celia Appelt, b 11.25.1881, MI, d 8.13.1950, Royal Park, MI, dtr of Emil H. G. and Kathern Anna (Whitmack) Appelt. Their successive res: Detroit, MI (1905), Highland Park (1907), and Royal Park, MI; their 3 CH: George H., Howard, and Norman Mason; their selected DESC (Be322.):

FDDDEafaBA. George Henry Mason (Be341, Be344.), b 1.1.1905, Detroit, MI (Be329.); CA res since 1840, res (1978): 505 Los Altos, Arcadia, CA 91006. George has (1978) the **Bible** of his grandmother Adeline Lucy Shenick. A copy of the **Bible** transcription records is in possession of George's dtr Mary Jo (Mason) Hurdle, Whittier, CA. George was m 8.11.1937, Episcopal Church "Crossbrook" near Birmingham, MI, to Ethel Louise Margaret Mattson, b 6.5.1907, Laurium, Houghton Co., MI (has Christening record in Finnish), dtr of Herman Perkiomaki Mattson and Josephine Bonstrom, both b Finland. Their 2 CH: Mary Jo and Nancy L. Mason; DESC:

FDDDEafaBAa. Mary Josephine Mason, corresponding cousin and searcher-researcher, b 5.21.1938, Highland Park, Wayne Co., MI,

BCRN:657-38-N68225172 (MI), dtr of George H. Mason (at that time George was an "aviator") and Ethel L. Mattson (Be324.). Jo said that 1978 has been her best year yet for genealogical research. On 10.19.1956, Los Angeles, CA, Jo m Chellis Ray Hurdle, b 10.2.1935, Oak Park, Cook Co., IL, BCRN:1299-35 (Cook Co., IL), son of Charles Ray and Vivian Hope (Drury) Hurdle (Be325.). Chell (1978): Vice President, Chief Internal Auditor, Anaheim Savings and Loan Association, Anaheim, CA; res (1978): 7414 S. Lynalan Ave., Whittier, CA 90606 (Be322.). tel (213) 696-2427.

FDDDEafaBAaA. Alan Ray Hurdle, b 12.10.1957, Montebello, Los Angeles Co., CA; BCRN:63151-57-7061 (LA Co., CA) (Be327.).

FDDDEafaBAaB. Robert Edward Hurdle, b 4.9.1960, Montebello, Los Angeles Co., CA; BCRN:1904-60-7061 (LA Co., CA) (Be328.).

FDDDEafaBAb. Nancy Louise Mason, b 1943, m William Riddle; no CH (Be322.).

FDDDEafaBB. Howard R. Mason (Be341, Be342, Be344.), b 1906, d 1976, m **first** unk. spouse and m **secondly** Eileen; no CH by either wife.

FDDDEafaBC. Norman C. Mason (Be341, Be344), b 1910, m Sally; 2 CH: Lawrence and Barbara Mason; DESC (Be322.):

FDDDEafaBCA. Lawrence Howard Mason, b 1937, m Margaret Swafford, 2 CH:

FDDDEafaBCAA. Don Mason.

FDDDEafaBCAb. Sarah Mason.

FDDDEafaBCb. Barbara Lou Mason, b 1939, m Donald Geppert, 3 CH:

FDDDEafaBCbA. David Geppert.

FDDDEafaBCbb. Darlene Geppert.

FDDDEafaBCbC. David Paul Geppert, b 7.31.1977.

FDDDEafaC. Daniel E. Mason, son of Adeline, b 5.29.1886 (Be321.). Daniel's name appears in the obituaries of his grandparents (Be341, Be342, Be344).

FDDDEafaD. Raymond Shenick Mason (Be342.), son of Adeline; b 6.2.1888 (Be321.), d from influenza on 2.22.1920, m Lucy (?); no known CH (Be322.).

FDDDEag. Mary R. Ellsworth, Lydia's dtr, b 6.8.1833 (Be321.), London Twp, Middlesex Co., ON, m 6.30.1846, Louis Facer; res was Oberlin, OH; 5 CH (Be323.).

FDDDEaga. Lucinda Facer

FDDDEagb. Rosa Facer

FDDDEagC. William Facer

FDDDEagD. Edward Facer

FDDDEage. Hattie Facer

FDDDEaH. Austin R. Ellsworth, b ca 1835 (Be349.), b 4.27.1835, London Twp (Be321.), Middlesex Co., Ontario, Canada, m Mary Piccard; res was Toledo, OH; 4 CH (Be323.):

FDDDEaHa. Sophronia Ellsworth

FDDDEaHB. Erwin Ellsworth

FDDDEaHc. Angelina Ellsworth

FDDDEaHd. Belle Ellsworth

FDDDEaI. Edward William Ellsworth, b ca 1837 (Be349.), b 5.17.1837 (Be321.), London Twp, Middlesex Co., Ontario, Canada, d 5.28.1925, m 12.27.1862/65, Oakland Co., MI, to Lucetta ("Loretta") Beardslee, b 4.10.1838,Oakland Co., MI, dtr of Lewis and Mary (anon.) Beardslee, natives of New Jersey.

According to a biographical album of Sanilac County, MI, pub. 1884 (Be348.), Edward W. Ellsworth, manufacturer, resident of Marlette, Sanilac Co., MI, was b 5.17.1837, London, Middlesex Co., Ontario, the fourth (correction: fifth) son and next to the youngest of eight (correction: ten) children born to his parents, Lydia Bentley, "who was a native of the State of New York," and her husband William Ellsworth, who was a native of Middlebury, Addison Co., VT. The family came to Sanilac Co., MI, in 1837. Edward W. Ellsworth was m 12.27.1865, Oakland Co., MI, to Loretta (correction: Lucetta) Beardslee, b 4.10.1838, Oakland Co., MI, dtr of Lewis and Mary (anon. surname) Beardslee, native of NJ. They were members of the Presbyterian Church. He was owner of considerable village property, besides some valuable property in the vicinity of Marlette, res (1884): Marlette, Sanilac Co., MI.

Edward W. Ellsworth was an infant but three months old when his parents came to Sanilac County (1837). In Sanilac Co. he obtained his education and business habits and grew to maturity. He commenced life on his own account when he was 13 years old, and passed two years on a farm. He spent seven successive years as a sailor on the lakes (Great Lakes), after which he learned the trade of carpenter. He had worked during the winters succeeding the seasons he had passed on the lakes, in cabinet-making. He pursued his trade until September, 1872, when he started his successful business enterprise, the manufacture of sash, doors, etc. He also did all of the kinds of work common to planing-mills. Their 2 CH (Be348., 323., 322.):

FDDDEaIA. Frank Herbert Ellsworth, d 1937.

FDDDEaIb. Hattie May Ellsworth, m William M. Hanley; res (1922) Marlette, MI; res (1964): 16200 Escobar Ave., Los Gatos, CA (Be323.). Hattie kept notes on Ellsworths.

FDDDEaj. Julina Emma Ellsworth, b ca 1841 (Be349.) b 12.18.1841, Worth Twp, Sanilac Co., MI, d 5.20.1927, m Josiah J. Lund (Be321., 345.); 3 CH (unc. seq.):

FDDDEaja. Rose M. Lund, d 5.27.1880, AE 18 y 7 m, Marlette, Sanilac Co., MI, m William J. Johnston (Be345.).

FDDDEajb. Gertrude Lund, m (anon.) Johnston.

FDDDEajc. Estelle Lund, m (anon.) Taggart.

FDDDEB. Samuel Bentley, Ira's son (Be13C), b calc. ca 1801 (Be13C); b after **8.28.1801,** the date of his father Ira's **Upper Canada Land Petition** for land in Markham, in which Ira stated that he was in the Province two years before (probably entered in 1799) — Township of **Clinton** (Lincoln County), adding that he "has a wife and **one** child" (Be15D). In 1804 (although 1803 fits better for making calc.), Samuel's father Ira had three (3) CH: (1) Lidia, (2) Samuel, himself, and (3) Jacob, aged 3, 2, and 1 y, respectively; Ira's family at that time was living in Markham Twp. of York County, on land designated as Lots 4 and 5 of Concession 6 (Be13C). On August 29, 1977, this searcher was issued an extract of information "for genealogy" from the Death Certificate of Samuel Bentley. According to **(Be300.)** information issued by the executive officer, Office of the Registrar General, Parliament Buildings, Toronto, Ontario, the "Samuel Bentley" who died on April 28, 1876, Blenheim, Kent County, Ontario, at the age of **74** years, born in **"Clinton, Ontario,"** occupation — farmer, is the same person whom we have identified as Ira's son. Meanwhile, the quest for a living descendant of Samuel, Ira's son, continued until the foregoing was verified accordingly. His tombstone-inscription in the Morpeth Cem. reads Samuel Bentley d 4.28.1876, aged **75** y (Be299.).

A search in the 1851 Census Report for Ontario, Kent Co., Howard Twp (Be303.) **(dated 1851-2)** disclosed the names of a "Samuel Bentley" and a "Mary Bentley," his wife. Their ages were given as 51 y and 32 y, respectively. The "Samuel" named in the CR could well be the same person as "Samuel, Ira's son;" this searcher will assume they are identical.

Next, the probate records for Kent Co., Howard Twp., were searched (microfilm) (Be301.) and a **Will** was located for Mary Bentley, "wife of Samuel Bentley, of **Twp of Harwich,** Kent Co.," written, signed and sealed 9.7.1875, proved 5.30.1879; Mary Bentley d 4.23.1879. Some of the children and stepchildren of Mary Bentley who are named in her **Will** were also named in the 1851 CR for Howard Twp. (the Harwich Twp CR for 1851 was **not** located).

Samuel Bentley, Ira's son, was named in his wife's **Will** written 9.7.1875, less than four years before she died on 4.23.1879, and less than a year before Samuel passed away on 4.28.1876, Blenheim, **Harwich Twp.,** Kent Co., Ontario.

According to the 1851 CR (Agricultural) for Ontario, Kent Co., Howard Twp. (No. 39), Samuel Bentley, farmer, had 100 acres under cultivation, 41 acres under crops, 56 acres pasture, 3 acres were gardens or orchards, 16 acres wheat, and 100 acres were under wood (Be305.).

Just whom Samuel Bentley married before his wife Mary, this searcher had not learned at that time. His children before his marriage to Mary were (**not** in order of birth): (1) Sally Ann Bentley, (2) Jonathan, (3) Ira, (4) James, and (5) Martha; then Samuel and Mary are credited with (6) Leonard Miles Bentley, (7) Byron Henry Bentley, and (8) Deborah Bentley. This searcher is **not** aware of any other children of Samuel's or of Mary's (1977). Samuel and Mary had a "son" named "Denis W." according to a broken tombstone (Be296.0.) (1978).

According to the commemorative biographical record of Byron H. Bentley (Be311.), son of Samuel Bentley and his **second** wife Mary (Scratch) Bentley, Samuel was married **first** to Deborah Bell, of the State of New York, and their children were (1) Sarah Ann, (2) Jonathan, (3) James, (4) Ira, and (5) Martha. Samuel Bentley married **secondly** Mary Scratch, who survived him three years. They left a family of three children, namely: (1) Leonard, (2) Byron H., and (3) Deborah Bentley (Be311.). Samuel Bentley, Howard Twp, m Mary Scratch of Gosfield on 6.27.1841 (Be39.).

The reader must read the following with reservation since **none** of the information in this paragraph has been verified as having been authentic:

> Samuel Bentley was born in 1800, at Niagara Falls, [1, 2, 3] State of New York, a son of Jacob Bentley, [4] who was of American birth, but of German parentage.[5] Jacob Bentley settled in New York prior to

[1]Niagara District was a former district of Canada that included Lincoln County, a part of which was Clinton Twp, where Samuel Bentley, son of Ira, was b in 1801 (referred to as Clinton, Ontario, on Samuel Bentley's death certificate of 1876). Clinton Twp is in Lincoln Co., Province of Ontario.

[2]Niagara or Niagara-on-the-Lake, is a town in Lincoln Co., SE Ontario, Canada, on Lake Ontario at mouth of Niagara River opposite Fort Niagara, NY; founded 1780; first capital of Upper Canada (to 1796); **town burned by American General McClure in 1813.**

[3]Niagara Falls, great falls of the Niagara River, on the U.S.-Canada boundary; falls well known to many tribes of Indians before any settlement of Europeans in U.S. or Canada; first visited and described by Father Hennepin 1678, 1683; in center of region of trading posts and frontier forts 18th century and in War of 1812 the scene of several engagements including Lundy's Lane, Queenston, and Chippawa.

3A. Lundy's Lane, roadway near Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada; indecisive battle July 25, 1814, in which both Americans and British lost heavily.

3B. Queenston, village, Lincoln Co., Ontario, Canada, on Niagara River; scene of attempt October 13, 1812, by U.S. forces under Maj. Gen. Stephen Van Rensselaer to invade Canada; British commander Maj. Gen. Isaac Brock was killed, but U.S. force that had gained the heights above the village was captured by Maj. Gen. Sheaffe; usually called battle of Queenston Heights.

3C. Chippawa, village, Welland Co., SE Ontario, Canada, on Niagara River 2 mi. above Niagara Falls; founded by Loyalists in 1783. American force defeated the British here on July 5, 1814.

Ref (3): **Webster's New Geographical Dictionary,** 1977.

[4]"Jacob Bentley" — name believed by this searcher to be in error. Samuel Bentley's father was likely Ira Bentley and his mother, wife of Ira, Sarah Beam, dtr of Jacob Beam. Samuel had a brother who at one time previously lived in Clinton Twp also named Jacob Bentley.

[5]". . . of American birth, but of German parentage" likely refers to Jacob Beam who settled in Lincoln County in 1788, the grandfather of Samuel Bentley, Ira's son. "Beam" was formerly "Boehm" according to several sources; family history was pub. by Waterloo H. Soc., 1935-36.

the war of 1812, in which he lost his life at the battle of Niagara.[1] Samuel was a lad of thirteen years at the burning of Niagara, and he was taken and held by the Americans as a prisoner of war for one and a half years.[2] In 1821, he joined other emigrants and came to Canada, locating in Howard Township, County of Kent, securing land from Col. Talbot,[3] on Talbot Street, Harwich" (Be311.).

In this same biographical record of Byron H. Bentley's is the following: "Here he (Byron's father Samuel Bentley) established his permanent home, remaining until he retired from active life, in 1872, when he moved to Blenheim, where he died in 1877"[4] (Be311.).

The name of "Samuel Bently" appears on the "Lincoln Militia Return of the 4th Regiment under the Command of Lieut. Colonel Nelles, June 10, 1818," in Lieut. Matthew Crooks' Company (PAC).

According to his **Will** (Be299), Samuel Bentley had these children (uncertain order of birth): (1) Sally Ann (Bentley) Mallory, (2) Jonathan Bentley, (3) Ira Bentley, (4) James Bentley, (5) Martha (Bentley) Jackson, (6) Leonard M. Bentley, (7) Byron H. Bentley, and (8) Deborah Ann (Bentley) Guyett. At least one more child was fathered by Samuel. A broken tombstone was located in the Morpeth Cemetery where the remains of Samuel and his two wives were interred that indicates a son of Samuel and Mary Bentley named Denis W. Bentley. The missing piece(s) with date of death could not be located by searcher Judy (Jamieson) Mitton who tried in 8.1978.

In the Morpeth Cemetery, Judy (Jamieson) Mitton located the graves of a number of the Bentleys. Among them she discovered and copied the following inscriptions: "Sacred to the memory of Deborah wife of Samuel Bentley of Howard U C, who departed this life 9th February A D 1839, aged 34 years, 5 months and 9 days" (Be296.N.). This tombstone appears to be in the Bell family plot.

Also in Morpeth Cemetery are the graves of Samuel Bentley and his **second** wife Mary: "Sacred to the memory of Mary, beloved wife of Samuel Bentley, died April 23, 1879, Ae. 60 yrs 1 mo and 12 days" and "Samuel Bentley died April 28, 1876, aged 75 years." Other tombstones have been identified for members of this family (Be296., Be295.).

On September 11, 1926, the following article appeared in the **Chatham Daily News,** newspaper printed in Chatham, Ontario, Canada. Portions of the alleged Bell and Bentley family histories were reported as follows (Be317).

[1]No confirmation as yet.

[2]No confirmation as yet.

[3]Verifiable?

[4]Samuel Bentley d 4.28.1876, AE 74 y, Blenheim, Kent Co., ON, place of birth stated as Clinton, Ontario (Be300.) (Reg. Gen. DCI).

A little over one hundred years ago, about twenty families journeyed from the Niagara district to make their home in the trackless wilderness where now is the beautiful farming country about Morpeth and Palmyra. Among these were some people by the name of Bell and it was the descendants of these people who held the Bell reunion at Government Park on Labor Day. It is the first time that a reunion of this nature has been attempted by this family line and was a splendid success. It being the first attempt, it was a little difficult for the promoters to get in touch with some whom they would have liked to reach, and some were unable to come who were invited, but in spite of this there were about seventy people present. The majority were from the border cities, some from the home county and as far east as Toronto.

A very enjoyable social time was had, the whole day being spent at the Park. Among other features a paper was read copied from some records, giving a glimpse into the nature of the lives of these sturdy pioneers and relating a few of their experiences.

It was recalled how, in the year 1792, Elizabeth Pettit Bell journeyed from New Jersey to meet her husband and some other members of his family who had previously settled in the Niagara district. This woman had eight children to bring with her, and two or three horses formed the method of transportation. There were no roads or bridges through the forest so they had to ride through the woods and ford the streams. There were no taverns, and scarcely any settlements except Indian villages. Their shelter was a tent made of sheets. In fording one of the streams one of the children was pitched from a horse and nearly drowned, being rescued with great difficulty.

After weary weeks of travel they reached Fort Niagara, then occupied by British soldiers, who put them across the river. Skirting the shore of Lake Ontario a happy meeting was soon effected with the husband and father and the other members of his family. The children were taken care of by friends until a log house could be erected on land which they took up as a claim, as is done in the north at the present time.

It was about 1821, just a few years after the close of the war with the States, that a number of families decided to re-migrate to the district near the Rond Eau. It is a little difficult to understand at this time just why they would see it advantageous to make the change, leaving a fertile country such as the Niagara belt is, where land was cheap and nearer the towns. But some lure drew them on and they came, making the trip with oxen and sleighs, in the summer. There was a road as far as London, but from there on to their destination they had to make the road as they travelled, through the heavy bush.

Arriving, the first business was to put up houses, which of course, were of logs. A hole was left in the roof to make an outlet for the smoke and a bed was made of basswood boughs and bark. Their living must surely have been meagre compared to that of their descen-

dants today. Money there was none and it would have been practically useless if they could have had it.

Among the families who came at the time the **Bells** did to the Rond Eau district, were some of the **Bentleys**. Mr. **Byron H. Bentley**, a prominent citizen living in the Guilds section, is a son of one of the men, **Samuel Bentley**, who had just then been married to **Deborah Bell**. This venture was their honeymoon trip. Mr. Bentley recalls very clearly some of his father's reminiscences of those early times. The father of these young men was killed at the Battle of Niagara in the war of 1812-14, and the boys were taken prisoners and held by the Americans for eighteen months. On being released they lived among friends for a few years until the migration of these families to Kent County.

These stalwart men soon after settling began to clear a little ground to raise crops. After they had succeeded in growing a few bushels of wheat the problem was to convert it into flour. There was a mill at Port Burwell, about one hundred and twenty miles down the lake, so they cut four large pines at the Point (what is now Government Park) and made a raft; they used to pole it down the shore to the mill. If the weather favoured, they could make the trip in a few days quite comfortably, but of course it was not always favorable, and weeks were sometimes consumed in making the round trip. To make matters worse, it was their misfortune on some occasions when bringing the flour home to be robbed of it by the Indians. The wolves and bears too, frequently carried away their meat and livestock claiming their share with the Indians.

Later, when wheat was produced more plentifully, it became possible to ship it at the foot of the Harwich-Howard townline where Bates' Fishery now is. It commanded a price of twenty-five cents per bushel, after doing all the work of harvesting and threshing by hand labour. A sleigh trail was cut after a time north toward the river and to Chatham. With these developments the pioneers began to think they were becoming prosperous and comfortable.

It is difficult to believe that those sturdy men and women underwent all those hardships solely for their own personal advantage. It seems they must have had a thought for their descendants, for the community they were forming, and for its place in the scheme of life. The people of today may seriously ask themselves if they are willing to 'take up the torch' and pay the price demanded of them in the development of their community and nation in all its phases of life, which in their complexity throw out a challenge as difficult as the great forests presented to those people of one hundred years ago.

Samuel Bentley, whose history is perhaps the most easily obtained of any of those early settlers, was a pioneer in more senses than one. After he had become well established he prepared to build a good barn to house the crops produced on the fertile, newly cleared land. In those days, of course, only the best timber went into a building. Acres of beautiful timber was cut in windrows and burned. This

man had ideas about intoxicants that were not commonly accepted at that time anywhere. As he invited the other settlers in the district to the "raising" he informed them that no liquor would be served. He was promptly told that the barn would never go up.But go up it did, and stands today on the banks of Slabtown Creek, it seems as straight and true as any that had the customary whiskey barrel for one of the foundation stones.

Mrs. Harold (Mary C. Turner) Mallory, who submitted this article (Be317.), commented, "It is ironical that Samuel being of puritan stock would not allow liquor at this barn raising, and now his great-great-grandson owns Charal Winery outside Blenheim. The barn is since demolished."

Due to a lack of sufficient data, the following sequence of the children's births is hypothetical (*i.e.,* considered to be inconclusive or only tentative until more evidence is uncovered):

FDDDEBa. Sally Ann Bentley, Samuel's dtr ("Sally Ann Mallory") (Be299.), named in the **Will** (proved in 1879, written in 1875) of Samuel Bentley's wife Mary as Mary's "Stepdaughter Sally Ann Mallory" (Be301.). Sally's name was **not** located in the 1851 CR for Howard Twp. Sarah Ann Bentley, deceased before 1904, m James Mallory; she was a sister of Byron H. Bentley (Be311.). Sally m 3.10.1841, James Mallory; the witness was Samuel Bentley (Be39.).

FDDDEBB. Jonathan Bentley, named as Mary's stepson (Be301.) and as Samuel's "son" (Be299.), was likely the same Jonathan Bentley whose **Will** (Be302.) was written 2.7.1877, village of Morpeth (Harwich Twp.) in Kent Co., ON, proved and registered in July of 1881, having "died June 22, 1881, a resident of Harwich Twp, Kent County, Ontario." His real estate property was identified as the NE½ of Lot 21 in Con. 3, Harwich Twp. (Be302.).

According to one source, Jonathan was b 1825, d 1881, and his wife Susannah was b 1828, d 1905 (Be296.). According to another, Jonathan was b ca 1825 and wife Susannah Story was b ca 1827 (Be309.). According to a third source, Jonathan was b 1827, in Howard, County Kent, a son of Samuel and "Mary (Bell) Bentley" (or "Deborah Bell"), "who came to Canada from England" (?), and settled first in Howard, but later moved to the farm occupied by Byron Bentley (in 1904). "Samuel Bentley afterward retired to Blenheim, and there he and his second wife (who was a Miss Scratch) died. His first wife was a Miss Bell, and her three children were: Ira, who lives on Lakeshore, in Howard; James, who died in Michigan, leaving a family; and **Jonathan, the father of John R.**" (Be311.).

Jonathan's wife Susannah is known to have been the mother of his six CH (Be 302.) (verified by descendants).

"At the time Jonathan Bentley settled in County Kent, the country was almost entirely wild land, and his little log cabin was far from that of any neighbor. Mr. Bentley, however, made his farm one of the excellent ones of the township, and at his death, in 1880, left a competency for his family."

His widow ". . .was born in 1827, in Raleigh Township, County Kent. . . Jonathan and Susannah (Story) Bentley (were) one of the old pioneer families of this locality" (Be311.). He was 46 and she 44 y in 1871 (Be309.).

"Mr. Bentley was a prominent member of the Methodist Church, and he was mainly instrumental in its early establishment in this section, while his efforts as class leader, and in other positions did much to increase its usefulness. Politically he belonged to the Reform party, and was ever ready to work in its interest" (Be311.).

Jonathan and Susannah had these 6 CH: Catharine, Michael James, Wesley, Emma, John Reynolds, and Ada Bentley; their selected DESC:

FDDDEBBa. Catharine Bentley, "daughter of Jonathan Bentley, Catharine, now Mrs. Sanson Goswell" (1877) (Be302.); m Samson Goswell or Sampson Gosnell (Be311.). Catherine, b 10.1849, at her father's home; res (1904): a farm in County Essex, Ontario; their (2) CH (Be311.):

FDDDEBBaa. Susanna Gosnell.

FDDDEBBaB. Burton Gosnell.

FDDDEBBB. Michael James Bentley, "son of Jonathan Bentley" (Be302.); b ca 1854 (Be309.), d 9.14.1926, AE 72 y, funeral at Guilds (located between Blenheim and Morpeth), Ontario, Canada (Be306.); b 1854, d 1926, m Melia, b 1854, d 1922, both bur. Blenheim (Be295.). Michael was b 5.27.1854, m Permelia Todd of Harwich, where he owned a farm (1904), but they resided (1904) in Muskoka, Ontario, where he owned land; their 3 CH (Be311):

FDDDEBBBa. Lena Bentley

FDDDEBBBB. Howard Bentley

FDDDEBBBc. Lillian Bentley, b 1878, d 1901, bur Blenheim Cem., Michael's dtr (Be295.A.). Lillie Bentley, d in young womanhood (Be311.).

FDDDEBBC. Wesley Bentley, b ca 1859 (Be309.), Jonathan's son, was bequeathed the NE½ of Lot 21 in Con. 3, Harwich Twp (Be302.); b 7.1859, Harwich Twp, d 1.7.1936, AE 76 y, growth in stomach (cause of death), bur Morpeth, ON (Be306., Be296.H.). Wesley, b 7.25.1859, m Annie Buston, of County Kent (Be311.); m Annie Bustin (Be311.); m Annie Buskin (surname spelling?) (Be306B.). Annie was b 12.6.1860, Oxford Twp., Kent Co., d 12.12.1937, AE 77 y. Oxford Twp, Kent Co., ON (Be306C6.). They resided (1904) on a portion of the old farm where they had a fine home. Their remains were buried in the Morpeth Com. (Be296.H.,I.). Their children were Lorne Bentley, Jonathan Bentley, and Mary Bentley (Be311.).

FDDDEBBCA. Lorne Bentley (Be311.).

FDDDEBBCB. Jonathan Bentley (Be311.); m M. Mabel (---), b 1897, d 1954 (Be296.K.). "Jonathan C. Bentley," b 1890, d 1947 (Be296.J.) (?—likely the same person).

FDDDEBBCc. Mary (Be311.); Mary Lillian Bentley (Be306B.), b ca 1901, dtr of "Wesley Bentley and Annie Bustin" (sp?) of Harwich Twp, m 11. 29.1922, Harwich Twp, John Rufus Hubbard, b ca 1901, son of Sherman of Harwich Twp; at time of their marriage, John was Presbyterian and Mary was Methodist (Be306B.); their adopted CH:

1. Katherine Ann Hubbard, b 10.30.1939, London, Ontario, bapt. 6.21.1942, United Church, Guilds, Harwich Twp, Kent Co., Ontario, Canada; "daughter of John Rufus Hubbard and Mary Lillian Bentley," of Harwich Twp (Be306D.).

According to correspondence from searcher Mrs. David B. (Judy A. Jamieson) Mitton (1978), "Kathleen Anne Hubbard" was adopted and has been m twice. Her res (1978) was RR 4, Blenheim, Ontario, Canada; no CH. Judy obtained this information by telephone interview.

FDDDEBBd. Emma Bentley, b ca 1862 (Be309.), "daughter of Jonathan Bentley" (Be302.). Emmie or Emma, b 7.1862, m Norris Mallory, res (1904): Con 3, Talbot Street, Harwich; their 3 CH: (**a**) Hazel, (**B**) Edgar, and (**C**) Glen Mallory (Be311.).

Emma Bentley, b 1862, at Bentley (now Guilds), Ontario. **Explanation:** Guilds was formerly known as "Bentley;" a post office was on the Bentley farm. When a store was built there by Julius Guilds, the name was changed to "Guilds." Before it was known as "Bentley," it was called "Haggart Settlement." Mary (Turner) Mallory went on to explain that Guilds is located on Highway 3, Talbot Road, just five miles from Blenheim and about fifteen miles from Chatham (Be316.).

Emma Bentley m Norris E. Mallory, b 1859, d 1938; their 3 CH: (**a**) Hazel Dean, (**B**) Edgar Bentley, and (**C**) Glen Eugene Mallory (Be316.). Their DESC:

FDDDEBBda. Hazel Dean Mallory, b 1887, Guilds, ON, d 3.1967, m 9.1.1911, John Neville, b 1883, d 1929 (Be316.). Hazel Mallory, b 1887 (Be311.), m John Neville; their child Gertrude Pauline Neville was b 1918 (Be306A8.). Hazel and John had two CH: (**A**) Norris and (**b**) Pauline. Their DESC:

FDDDEBBdaA. Norris E. Neville, b 11.4.1913, Guilds, ON, m 12.15.1934, Eleanor McNeill, b 12.13.1913, Chatham, ON (Be316.). Their three CH: (**A**) Larry, (**b**) Mary Ellen, and (**C**) Sharon Neville; DESC:

FDDDEBBdaAA. John **Larry** Neville, b 3.10.1936, Guilds, ON, m 2.2.1963, Marie Manley, b 1.23.1942; three CH:

FDDDEBBdaAAA. John L. Neville, b 2.26.1965, Chatham, ON.

FDDDEBBdaAAb. Nancy Neville, b 6.26.1967, Chatham, ON.

FDDDEBBdaAAc. Marilyn Neville, b 6.2.1970, Chatham, ON.

FDDDEBBdaAb. Mary Ellen Neville, b 8.22.1940, Guilds, ON, m 8.4.1962, Larry Jackson, b 8.10.1941; two sons:

FDDDEBBdaAbA. Michael Jackson, b 4.25.1963, San Diego, CA (where his father was stationed in the Navy at that time) (Be316.).

FDDDEBBdaAbB. Todd Jackson, b 9.16.1964, **Ballston Spa, Saratoga Co., NY** (place where his father was with Navy). The Ballston area in NY is where Todd's sixth-great-grandfather SAMUEL BENTLEY **(Be:FDDD.)** appears to have been in 1790, when "Heads of Families" was reported.

FDDDEBBdaAc. Sharon Louise Neville, b 7.20.1943, Chatham, ON, m 11.4.1967, David Bell, b 12.10.1941; three CH:

FDDDEBBdaAca. Jennifer Bell, b 8.5.1970, b London, ON.

FDDDEBBdaAcB. Marc David Bell, twin, b 11.24.1971, London, ON.

FDDDEBBdaAcc. Marci Dana Bell, twin, b 11.24.1971, London, ON (Be316.).

FDDDEBBdab. Gertrude **Pauline** Neville, b 2.8.1918, Harwich, ON; bapt. Guilds, ON (Be306A8). Pauline, b 2.8.1918 (Guilds-?), m 1939, Joseph W. Birch, b 4.27.1916 (Be316.). Their son:

FDDDEBBdabA. Ronald Dean Birch, b 9.1939, m Diane C. Moore, b 2.27.1943; three dtrs (Be316.):

FDDDEBBdabAa. Mary Ann Birch, b 8.15.1964, Chatham, ON.

FDDDEBBdabAb. Paula Susann Birch, b 1.22.1967, Chatham, ON.

FDDDEBBdabAc. Lee Ann Birch, b 8.20.1970, Chatham, ON (Be316.).

FDDDEBBdB. Edgar Mallory, b 1893 (Be311.), m Mabel Steel; their dtr Dorothy Emma, b 1917, bapt. Guilds (Be306A11.).

Edgar Bentley Mallory, son of Norris and Emma, b 6.30.1893, m 10.18.1916, Mabel Steel, b 9.15.1892, d 3.6.1959 (Be316.). Their five CH: (**a**) Dorothy, (**B**) Harold, (**C**) Lloyd, (**D**) Keith, and (**e**) Eleanor Mallory; DESC:

FDDDEBBdBa. Dorothy Emma Mallory, b 12.13.1917, Guilds, ON; bapt., United Church, Guilds, Harwich Twp, Kent Co., Ontario, Canada (Be306A11.). Dorothy Emma Mallory, b 12.13.1917, Guilds, res (1979): Toronto, ON (Be316.).

FDDDEBBdBB. Harold James Mallory, b 11.11.1919, Guilds, ON, m 9.1.1945, Mary Caroline Turner, b 2.1.1919, Harte, MB, dtr of J.B. and Caroline (Sitter) Turner; these **correspondents** reside (1979) in Blenheim, Kent County, located in SE Ontario, Canada (Be316.) (P.O. Box 38, Blenheim, Ontario NOP-1A0). Mary mentioned that William Frederick Cody, better known as "Buffalo Bill," b 1846, d 1917, the U.S. plainsman, army scout, and showman, was married to the sister of Polly Grant, wife of Byron Bentley **(Be:FDDDEBG.)**.

Mary is largely responsible for what we know of the descendants of Emma Bentley **(Be:FDDDEBBd.)**., Jonathan's dtr.

Harold and Mary have one CH, a dtr:

FDDDEBBdBBa. Mary **Louise** Mallory, b 2.2.1953, Chatham, ON. Louise attended the University of Toronto where she received the B.A. degree in 1976 and the M.A. degree in 1979. Her thesis was on Canadian architecture. Her residence (1979): Toronto, ON.

FDDDEBBdBC. Lloyd Steel Mallory, b 10.23.1921, Guilds, ON, received the B.A. degree in economics at McMaster University. Lloyd m 10.1961, Louise (Pardo) Broadwood. Lloyd's stepson: **1.** Dennis Broadwood.

FDDDEBBdBD. Edgar **Keith** Mallory, b 4.20.1927, Guilds, ON, received the B.A. degree from Western (college). Keith is an unmarried school teacher (1979).

FDDDEBBdBe. Eleanor Marie Mallory, b 2.8.1930, Guilds, ON, m 9.1952, Robert Rowe, b 8.18.1926; their dtr:

FDDDEBBdBea. Marie Rowe, b 1.27.1954, Chatham, ON, received the B.A. degree from Western.

FDDDEBBdC. Glen Mallory, b 1901 (Be311.). Glenn Eugene Mallory, son of Norris and Emma, b 10.19.1901, Guilds, ON, m **first** Edna Mae Hansen, b 8.7.1896, d 9.12.1968, bur Gravenhurst, ON; their son:

FDDDEBBdCA. Peter **Gordan** Mallory, b 8.5.1935, Gravenhurst, On, m 5.14.1960, Enid Swerdferger, b 8.22.1938; four CH:

FDDDEBBdCAA. Peter Robert Mallory, b 10.23.1963, Peterborough, ON.

FDDDEBBdCAB. Jonathan Glenn Mallory, b 8.17.1967, Peterborough, ON.

FDDDEBBdCAc. Kathryn **Allison** Mallory, b 4.25.1970, Peterborough, ON.

FDDDEBBdCAd. Laura Anita Mallory, b 10.16.1978, Peterborough, ON (Be316.).

Glenn E. Mallory (**Be:FDDDEBBdC.**) m **secondly** 8.17.1968, Bessie Bernice (Bowes) Hansen, b 2.22.1899, widow of Petter Fredrick Hansen (m 6.1927), Glenn's brother-in-law by his first marriage (Be316.).

FDDDEBBE. John Reynolds Bentley, "son of Jonathan Bentley," inherited the SW½ of NE½ of Lot 21 in Con. 3, Harwich Twp (Be302.); "John R. Bentley," b ca 1864 (Be309.); "John R. Bentley," b 10.22.1864, d 8.4.1918, ae. 53y, Harwich (Be306C.).

> John R. Bentley, one of the well-known farmers of Harwich Twp, County Kent, was born Oct. 23, 1864, on the farm he now occupies (1904), located in Lot 21, Concession 3. His parents were Jonathan and Susannah (Story) Bentley, one of the old pioneer families of this locality. . ." (Be311.).

John R. Bentley grew up on the old homestead where he has been manager ever since his older brothers went to farms of their own. In November, 1890, he was united in marriage with Miss Lora Jenner, born in May, 1870, in Harwich, daughter of Thomas and Phoebe (Mallory) Jenner, an old family of the county, who still reside in Harwich (1904). After marriage Mr. and Mrs. Bentley settled on the old homestead, which is one of the best farms in the township. Here he has made many substantial improvements, owning the farm equally with his brother Wesley. One daughter has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Bentley, Leila W., born in October, 1892. His beloved mother is also a member of his household. Both Mr. Bentley and wife are members of the Methodist Church, where he has long taken an active part in the musical part of the services. In politics he is identified with the Reform party. This family is prominent in County Kent, where they all are well known for business integrity and good citizenship. The sons worthily represent a father who was universally recognized as a really representative citizen (Be311.).

Their CH:

FDDDEBBEa. Leila W. Bentley, b 10.1892, Harwich Twp, Kent Co., ON (Be311.).

FDDDEBBEb. Mildred Morine Bentley, b 5.21.1905, Harwich Twp, bapt 12.23.1917, Guilds, "parents: John Bentley, Lora Jenner" (Be306A6.). Mildred's son Glenn Lampman, RR #1, Ridgetown, may have a Bentley-family **Bible** (Be316.).

FDDDEBBEb?. Glenn Lampman.

FDDDEBBEc. Helen Viola Bentley, b 9.30.1908, Harwich Twp, "parents: John Bentley, Lora Jenner" (Be306A7.).

FDDDEBBf. Ada Bentley, b ca 1866 (Be309.), b 9.1866, in the present home (1904), m Joseph Jenner, res (1904): Con. 14, Raleigh Twp, Kent Co., Ontario; their CH (Be311.):

FDDDEBBfA. Earl Jenner (Be311.), Raleigh Twp Kent Co., ON.

FDDDEBBfB. Garnett Jenner was living (1904) in Raleigh Twp on Con. 14, Kent Co., with his parents (Be311.).

FDDDEBBfc. Susannah Jenner was living with her parents on Con. 14 of Raleigh Twp, Kent Co., Ontario (1904) (Be311.).

FDDDEBC. Ira Bentley, Samuel's "son"(Be299.), b Howard Twp, Kent Co., Ontario, b ca 1830 (Be303., Be304.); b 8.24.1830, d 1.25.1912 (Be296.E.); named as stepson in Mary's **Will** (Be301.); lived on the Lake shore (Lake Erie), in Howard (Be311.); "Ira, of Morpeth, married (first) Eliza J. Pardo, and (second) a Smith (Be311.). Ira became a farmer, husband of "E. J." ----, who was three years younger than himself; at the time that the 1861 Census Report was made, Ira and E. J. had these three CH:

FDDDEBCA. S------- Bentley (now believed to be "Samuel"), male, 6 y old (1861) (Be304.). This son of Ira is believed to be Samuel on the basis of the following two sources:

(1) an obituary notice on p. 7 of the **Chatham Daily Planet** newspaper dated 5.29.1900:

> Mrs. Samuel Bentley, daughter-in-law of Ira Bentley, near the lake, died on Saturday at the family residence, Ridgetown, after an illness of two years duration. Remains were interred in Blenheim Cemetery.

(2) the grave of "Samuel Bentley's" wife located by searcher Judy (Jamieson) Mitton in the Blenheim Cemetery, Kent Co., ON, in August of 1978, with the tombstone inscription:

> In memory of Mary Ann, wife of Samuel Bentley, died May 19, 1900, aged 46 years, 10 months and 12 days (Be296.P.).

More evidence is desired regarding this family; but the identity is likely, and they likely had children.

FDDDEBCb. Jane Bentley, 5 y old (1861) (Be304.): this Jane is likely "Jane," b 1855, d 1936, m John Barker, b 1860, d 1923, bur Morpeth Cem., Harwich Twp, Kent Co., ON.

FDDDEBCC. J. H. Bentley, male, 3 y old in 1861 (Be304.).

FDDDEBD. James Bentley, b ca 1832, Howard Twp, Kent Co., ON (Be303.): Samuel's "son" (Be299.), named as Mary's Stepson (Be301.): "James, who died in Michigan, leaving a family" (Be311.): James Bentley (deceased before 1904) m Melvina Brown (Be311.). A son and two dtrs were indicated in the 1861 CR.

FDDDEBe. Martha Bentley, was named as "Stepdaughter Martha Jackson" in the **Will** of her father Samuel's wife Mary (Be301.). Although Martha's name was **not** included as a member of her father Samuel's family, a "Martha" does appear elsewhere in the 1851 CR for Howard Twp with this information: "Servant, b Canada, 15 y" (age) (Be307.). The "Martha" named in the **Will** the "Martha" appearing in the Census Report **may** be names for the same person, Martha, dtr of Samuel Bentley. "Martha Jackson" is named as Samuel Bentley's dtr (Be299.) Martha Bentley m J. B. Jackson, of Detroit, and had 3 CH (Be311.):

FDDDEBeA. Charles Jackson, a barrister of Wallaceburg, ON (1904) (Be311.).

FDDDEBeB. Harry Jackson (Be312.).

FDDDEBec. Hattie Jackson (Be311.).

FDDDEBF. Leonard Miles Bentley, Samuel's "son" (Be299.), named as Mary's "Son Leonard Miles Bentley" (Be301.); stated as nine-year old "son" of Samuel (and Mary) in the 1851 CR for Samuel Bentley, Farmer (age 51 y), and Mary, Housewife (age 32 y) (Be303.). From this source, Leonard appears

to have been b ca 1842, Howard Twp, Kent Co., ON (Be303.). According to the 1871 CR for Ontario, Kent Co., Harwich Twp, Leonard was 28 y and married to Isabella, age 28 y, both b ON, both Presbyterian, and both of English descent. Leonard farmed. Four of their children are named: (1) Mary J., 6 y; (2) Sarah A., 5 y; (3) Duncan H., 2 y; and (4) Barbara Bentley, 4/12 y, Dec., all b Ontario (Be309.). "Leonard, born in 1844, married Isabel Haggert, of Harwich, and they now (1904) reside in Detroit" (Be311.). Leonard Bentley, b 8.30.1843, d 9.16.1918; his wife Isabella, b 2.8.1843, d 11.29.1920 (Be295.). Their "children are" (Be311.):

FDDDEBFa. Mary J. Bentley, b 1864, d 1940, bur Blenheim Cem., Kent Co., ON (Be295.J.). Mary Bentley, wife of Wilbur Mitton, was a former resident of Camden, County of Kent (Be311.); m Wilbert J. Mitton, b 1862, d 1937, bur Blenheim Cem. (Be295.I.). She was the dtr of Leonard and Isabella (Haggart) Bentley (Be297., Be298.).

Mary Janet Mitton, ae. 75 y, d 5.25.1940. She was the mother of Dr. O. W. Mitton, Leslie B. Mitton, Russell E. Mitton, Mrs. W. H. Shaw, and Dr. Leonard R. Mitton. She was a sister of Mrs. J. W. Shillington and of D. H. Bentley (Be292.).

Wilbert J. Mitton, d 12.1937, Windsor, ON, ae. 76 y. He was the recording steward of the Official Board, Lincoln Road Unified Church, Windsor, b near Blenheim, lived most of his life in Thamesville, went to Windsor about 18 years before he died. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and the I.O.O.F. His wife was "Mary Janet" and his four sons were Dr. O.W. Mitton, Leslie B. Mitton, Russell E. Mitton, and Dr. Leonard R. Mitton, and dtr was Mrs. W. H. Shaw. His sister was Mrs. Mathilda Baker and his brother was Leslie D. Mitton (Be293.). Their selected DESC:

FDDDEBFaA. Orland W. Mitton, Dr., b ca 1886 (Be279.); res (1937-1940): East Tawas, MI, son of Wilbert J. and Mary Janet (Bentley) Mitton (Be292., Be293.); b Harwich Twp, Kent Co., ON, d 1973 (Be279.).

FDDDEBFab. Lorenda Belle Mitton, b 8.21.1888, d 10.2.1888, bur Blenheim Cem., Blenheim, ON (Be295.), b Camden Twp, Kent Co. (Be279.).

FDDDEBFaC. Leslie Bentley Mitton, son of Wilbert J. Mitton and w Mary Janet, res (1937-1940): Thamesville, ON (Be292., Be293.). Leslie was b 4.6.1892, Camden Twp, Kent Co., ON, d 12.7.1963 (Be279.), farmer, Zone Twp, Kent Co. (1958); named his three sons in his **Will** (Be290.); m 6.19.1912 (Be279.), Thamesville, ON, Vergie Irene Graves, Humbert's dtr, with all eight grandparents of the couple present at the wedding (Be291.). Their 3 CH: (A) Russell Lloyd Mitton, (B) Humbert Glenn Mitton, and (C) Wilber(t) Lorne Mitton (Be290.); selected DESC:

FDDDEBFaCA. Russell Lloyd Mitton, b 3.6.1919, Thamesville, Kent Co., ON, m Ina Morgan (Be279.).

FDDDEBFaCB. Humbert Glenn Mitton, b 4.3.1924, Thamesville, Kent Co., ON, m 12.23.1944, Bristol, Gloucester, England, Ursula Coggins, Sidney's dtr, b 11.13.1925, Bristol, Gloucester, England (Be279.); 3 CH: (A) David, (B) Lesley, and (c) Deborah; selected DESC:

FDDDEBFaCBA. David Richard Bentley Mitton, BCRN: 49----270004(ON), son of Humbert Glenn Mitton and wife Ursula Coggins, b 5.31.1949, Chatham, Kent Co., ON (Be285.), bapt. 11.13.1949, Park Street United Church, Chatham, ON (Be289.A.); m 1.29.1972, Belleville, Hastings Co., ON, Judith Anne Jamieson, MCRN: 72-W-95066(ON) (Be286.), b 1.31.1945, Sarnia, Lambton Co., ON, dtr of Clarence James Jamieson and wife Edythe Eileen MacDonald (Be279.), bapt. 1.13.1946, Central United Church, Sarnia, Lambton Co. (Be279.). By her previous m to Ross Raymond Clarkson, **corresponding searcher,** Judy had these 2 CH. On 2.20.1974, in Belleville, Hastings Co., ON, they were legally adopted by David.

1. Tracy Anne Mitton, BCRN: 65-05-141839(ON), b 12.30.1965, Niagara Falls, Lincoln Co., ON (Be282.).
2. Trevor David Mitton, BCRN: 68-05-071816(ON), b 7.20.1968, Sarnia, Lambton Co., ON (Be283.).

David and Judy have one dtr:

FDDDEBFaCBAa. Leeanne Kathleen Mitton, BCRN:73-05-053595(ON), b 6.14.1973, Belleville, Hastings Co., ON, Canada (Be284.).

FDDDEBFaCBB. Lesley Darret Milton, b 2.25.1952, Chatham, bapt. 5.15.1952, Park Street Unified Church, Chatham, Kent Co., ON (Be289.B.).

FDDDEBFaCBc. Deborah Lynn Mitton, BCRN:55-05-134971(ON), b 12.27.1955, Chatham (Be287.); bapt. 1.13.1957, Chatham, Park Street United Church, Chatham, Kent Co., ON, Canada (Be289.C.); MCRN:77-A-24047(ON), m 8.5.1977, Paul Randolph Hooker (Be288.).

FDDDEBFaCC. Wilber(t) Lorne Mitton, Leslie's son (Be290.), b 3.9.1926, Thamesville, Kent Co., ON, m Marjorie Buschmeyer (Be279.).

FDDDEBFad. Alice Louise Mitton, b ca 1893, Camden Twp, Kent Co., ON, m William Shaw (Be279.); dtr of Wilbert J. Mitton and wife Mary Janet, m W. H. Shaw, res (1937-1940): Windsor, ON (Be292., Be293.).

FDDDEBFaE. Russell Edgar Mitton, b ca 1895, Camden Twp, Kent Co., ON, m Gladys McKenzie (Be279.); son of Wilbert J. and Mary Janet Mitton, res (1937-1940): Thamesville, ON.

FDDDEBFaf. Clara Belle Mitton, b 6.24.1897, Camden Twp, d 6.8.1898, bur Blenheim Cem., Blenheim, ON (Be295.H., Be297.).

FDDDEBFaG. Leonard R. Mitton, Dr., b ca 1899, Camden Twp, Kent Co., ON, m Jean Martin (Be279.); son of Wilbert J. Mitton and wife Mary Janet, res (1937): Leamington, ON; res (1940): Orillia, ON (Be293., Be192.).

FDDDEBFb. Sarah **Alice** Bentley, wife of George Raymond, builder in Chatham (1904) (Be311.), b 1866, Harwich Twp, Kent Co., ON, m George Raymunt (Be279.); dtr of Leonard Bentley and wife Isabella Haggart, Neil's dtr, m George Raymons, res (1904): Chatham, Kent Co., ON (Be298.); dtr of "Isabella Bentley" and named "Sarah Alice Rayment" (Be297.).

FDDDEBFC. Duncan Henry Bentley, son of Isabella (Be297.); son of Leonard Bentley and Isabella Haggart, Neil's dtr, res (1904): Detroit, MI (Be298.); Detroit merchant (1904) (Be311.); 1015 Marston Ave., Detroit, MI (1926 ca) (Be34.E.).

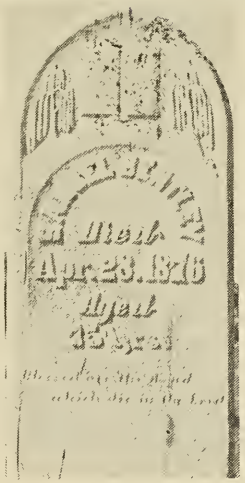
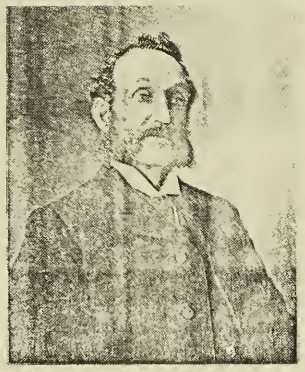
FDDDEBFd. Barbara J. Bentley, "Barbara J. Shillington," dtr of Isabella (Haggart) Bentley (Be297.); dtr of Leonard Bentley and wife Isabella Haggart, m John Shillington, res (1904): Blenheim, ON (Be298.); wife of "John Shelington," Blenheim merchant (Be311.).

FDDDEBFE. Neil Edgar Bentley, son of Isabella (Haggart) Bentley (Be297.); "Edward" Bentley of Detroit (res: 1904), son of Leonard Bentley and wife Isabella Haggart, Neil's dtr (Be298.); "Edward" Bentley, merchant in Detroit (1904) (Be311.). His (?) name appears (ca 1926) in a directory as "N. Edgar Bentley," 2901 W. Philadelphia Ave., Detroit, Mi (Be34.E.).

FDDDEBG. Byron Henry Bentley, Samuel's "son" (Be299.) and Mary's "Son" (Be301.); "Byron H.," "son" of Samuel (and Mary) (Be303.); b ca 1850, Howard Twp, Kent Co., ON (Be303.); d 1931, bur Morpeth, ON (Be296.C., Be306.C.); m (anon.) spouse, b 4.23.1851, d 12.13.1939, ae. 88 y, Harwich Twp, bur Morpeth Cemetery, Harwich Twp, Kent Co., ON (Be306.C.). Byron's wife was "Polly Bentley," b 1850, d 1931 (Be296.D.). Byron b 11.29.1850, on Talbot Street, Howard Twp, son of Samuel and Mary Scratch) Bentley, who for many years were honored residents of Kent (Be311.). In the 1871 CR for Harwich, age of Byron H. was stated as 21 y, that of his mother Mary as 51 y, and that of his father Samuel Bentley as 70 y (Be309.). In 1872, Byron m Polly P. Grant, b 4.23.1851, Harwich, a dtr of Allen, well-known pioneer of the neighborhood (Be311.).

> Byron H. Bentley, township councillor of Harwich township, and a prominent and influential citizen and substantial farmer of the County of Kent, comes of old pioneer stock . . . was reared on the home farm and received a fair education, the best the time and locality afforded. Remaining with his father, he managed the homestead farm until his marriage, and then purchased from the Bentley heirs his present fine place (1904).

In his **Will,** Byron identified (1) "my beloved wife Pauline Bentley," (2) "my daughter Eva Lucinda Hastings, and "my sons" (3) "Arthur Herman Bentley," (4) "Oscar Mervin Bentley," and (5) "Stuart Bentley" (Be312.). His **Will** was written 3.2.1929, at the time Byron was a farmer of the Township of Harwich, Kent Co., Ontario, Canada; "real estate" was identified as one and one-half acres of W½ of Lot 20 in Con. 3 Lake Erie Survey, Twp of Harwich, lying NW of Provincial Highway No. 3.

UL: The Bentley House in Guilds, located about five miles from Blenheim. At one time the "Bentley" Post Office was in front of this farm house and was there as late as 1878. In 1881, the name was changed to "Guilds," for the man who later built the store there. Samuel Bentley, **Be:FDDDEB.**, lived on this property after he moved from Slabtown near Morpeth. Owned at one time by Byron H. Bentley, **Be:FDDDEBG.**, the house and farm were owned by a "Leonard Bentley" in 1979 (photo date). **UC:** With Mary **Louise** Mallory, **Be:FDDDEBBdBBa.**, who received the Master of Arts Degree in History of Art, University of Toronto, 6.16.1977, are her proud parents Harold J. and Mary C. (Turner) Mallory. **UR:** Mallorys in 1978 (l to r): Harold J. Mallory, Lloyd Steel Mallory, Mary Louise Mallory, Edgar Bentley Mallory (**Be:FDDDEBBdB.**), Dorothy Emma Mallory, and Eleanor (Mallory) Rowe. **LL:** Samuel Bentley, **Be:FDDDEB.**, was laid to rest in the Morpeth Cemetery, Kent County, Ontario, Canada. The photograph was taken in 1979 by Samuel's great-great-grandson Harold J. Mallory, **Be:FDDDEBBdBB.** (Be316.). **LC:** Byron Henry Bentley, **Be:FDDDEBG.**; **Commemorative Biographical Record of Kent County, Ontario.** **LR:** Jonathan and Susannah (Story) Bentley, **Be:FDDDEBB.**, were the parents of (seated l to r) Wesley Bentley, Catherine (Bentley) Gosnell, Michael James Bentley, and of (standing l to r) Emma (Bentley) Mallory, John Bentley, and Ada (Bentley) Jenner. The picture was taken in 1905, just a day after their mother Susannah passed away, according to Ada's dtr Susannah (Jenner) Cleveland. Identification of the six brothers and sisters was made by Wesley's dtr Mary (Bentley) Hubbard (1979).

Mr. Bentley owns 200 acres of valuable land, and in 1899 he erected his handsome brick residence. In 1901 he built his substantial and commodious barn, which is in keeping with his other buildings, all testifying to thrift and prosperity.

Mr. Bentley, like his father, has always been identified with the Reform party. In 1900 he was elected one of the councilmen of Harwich, and has been re-elected each year since. He was one of the trustees and has also been the secretary of the school board, for the past six years. He has been particularly active in favoring plans for township development, and has long been looked upon as one who has achieved notable results in agriculture. His parents belonged to the Disciples Church,[1] but he and wife are among the leading Methodists in this locality. Mr. Bentley has been liberal in his support, and has faithfully served the church as trustee, and for ten years as steward. He is of social nature, and is a valued member of the order of United Workmen, Lodge No. 15, of Morpeth (Be311.).

Byron Henry Bentley and Polly P. Grant had these 4 CH: Eva, Arthur, Oscar, and Stewart (Stuart?) Bentley.

FDDDEBGa. Eva Lucinda Bentley; Eva, b 6.12.1874, Harwich Twp, Kent Co., Ontario (Be311.). She is identified in her father's **Will** as "Eva Lucinda Hastings," Byron's "daughter" (Be312.).

FDDDEBGB. Arthur Herman Bentley; Arthur, b 6.12.1879, Harwich Twp, Kent Co., Ontario (Be311.). According to the **Chatham Daily Planet,** 12.29.1905, Arthur H. Bentley of Guilds m Mary Tate of Blenheim (Be312.). According to the **Chatham Daily News,** May 2, 1955, Arthur H. Bentley died accidentally (Be312.). Assuming that these "Arthurs" are the same person until this searcher sees a copy of each of the foregoing newspaper clippings, then the "Arthur H. Bentley" and "Mrs. Arthur Bentley" included in the "Burials" list for the United Church, Guilds, Harwich Twp, Kent Co., Ontario, must be identified as **Arthur** and his wife **Mary (Tate) Bentley**:

(1) Arthur H. Bentley, 76 y, b Harwich Twp 1880, d 4.30.1955, "hit by truck," bur Evergreen Cemetery, Blenheim, Ontario; and (2) Mrs. Arthur Bentley, 55 y, Harwich, Kent Co., b 9.9.1871, Harwich, d 3.17.1937.

Arthur has been positively identified as one of Byron's three sons named in his **Will**, "Arthur Herman Bentley," written 3.2.1929, Harwich Twp, Kent Co., Ontario, Canada (Be312.).

FDDDEBGC. Oscar Mervin Bentley; Oscar, b 9.8.1882, Harwich Twp, Kent Co., Ontario (Be311.). This searcher is making the assumption (until further evidence verifies) that the Oscar Bentley who married Florence Evelyn Walker of Charing Cross on December 12, 1907, according to the **Chatham Daily Planet** (Be312.), is the same Oscar, son of Byron.

This searcher also makes the assumption that Oscar's above-named wife is the Mrs. Oscar Bentley, who d 8.31.1952, AE 69 y, bur Evergreen Cemetery,

[1]See Be301. and Be309. (footnote).

Blenheim,,Ontario, according to the United Church record, Guilds, Harwich Twp, Kent Co., Ontario (Be306C8.).

According to Mary (Turner) Mallory, Oscar had a dtr:

FDDDEBGC?. Rena Bentley, who m an Eastman and had a son named:

FDDDEBGC??. Allan Eastman, m Charlotte (-----). They started the Charal winery with the 1975 vintage. "Charal" is the composite name of **Char**lotte and **Al**lan. The winery and 75-acre vineyard is located in Kent Co., ON, two miles west of Blenheim on Highway #3.

FDDDEBGD. Stuart Bentley, Byron's son (Be312.) or "Stewart" Bentley, b 2.23.1894, Harwich Twp, Kent Co., ON (Be311.).

FDDDEBh. Deborah Ann Bentley, Samuel's dtr (Deborah Ann Guyett) (Be299.); named in Mary's **Will** as "Daughter Deborah Guyett" (uncertain spelling of surname) (Be301.). Her name does **not** appear on the 1851 CR with other members of her father's family.

"Francis Guyett" was named as Samuel's son-in-law (Be299.). "Deborah (Bentley), born in 1853, m Frank Guyett of the County of Kent. They resided on a part of the old homestead in Howard until 1892, when they moved to Tuscarora County, Michigan. Their children are Perzes, Hallie, Mary, Sarah, Bell, Hale, and Clifford Bentley" (Be311.).

FDDDEBh?. Perzes ("Persis"-?) Guyett, probably b in Howard Twp, Kent Co., ON.

FDDDEBhb. Hallie ("Holly"-?) Guyett.

FDDDEBhc. Mary Guyett.

FDDDEBhd. Sarah Guyett.

FDDDEBhe. Bell ("Belle"-?) Guyett.

FDDDEBhF. Hale Guyett.

FDDDEBhG. Clifford Guyett.

FDDDEBI. Denis W. Bentley, known only from the inscription on a piece of a broken tombstone in the Morpeth Cemetery, Harwich Twp, Kent Co., Ontario, Canada. In August of 1978, Judy (Jamieson) Mitton, the wife of a long-lost cousin found this inscription while searching for and copying the tombstone inscriptions for Bentleys in the cemetery: "son of Samuel and Mary Bentley, died . . ." (Be296.). The missing pieces could not be found by Judy.

FDDDEC. Jacob Bentley, Ira's son, b ca 1802, Ontario, Canada—likely either in Clinton Twp of Lincoln Co. or in Markham Twp of York Co. (age 1 y in 1803/4), son of Ira Bentley, age 23, and wife Sally, age 22. (Be13C.). Jacob's father Ira was m to the dtr of Jacob Beam (Be15D.).

What later became of Jacob Bentley is unknown to this searcher. Searcher-researcher Mrs. J. D. Bacon of Grand Blanc, MI, wrote that a Jacob Bentley came to Genesee Co., MI, at the same time as William and Lydia (Bentley)

(Ira's dtr) Ellsworth. This searcher avoids making a premature statement. A few notes were taken by Mrs. Bacon from a county history ref. (Be272.).

FDDDEd. Catherine Bentley, b ca 1806 (Be56.) (**not** b ca 1802, as in Be57.), dtr of Ira Bentley and Sarah (Beam) (Bentley) Lyons and wife of James Hurst (Be51., Be53., Be56., Be57., Be54., Be52.; these sources taken as evidence in combination). When the documentary sources of evidence are taken into consideration in combination with one another, the searcher clearly sees that Catherine was the daughter of Sarah Beam by her first husband Ira Bentley, that Catherine's stepfather was Amos Lyons, that Catherine's husband was James Hurst, and that Catherine became the mother of thirteen children. James and Catherine lived in the Twp of Grimsby, Lincoln Co., Ontario (1851, 1861, 1873) (Be56., Be57., and Be54.), where they farmed. Catherine's husband James Hurst predeceased her on 3.31.1874, Grimsby, Lincoln Co., Ontario (Be54.). Their 13 CH: Richard A., Elizabeth, Melissa, Mary, Margaret, Sarah, Susanna, Edroy, Robert, Lucella (Rosetta?), Alfred, Albert, and Algernon Hurst.

FDDDEdA. Richard Alfred Hurst (Be54.).

FDDDEdb. Elizabeth Hurst, wife of (anon.) Case (spelling?) (Be54.).

FDDDEdc. Melissa Hurst, wife of (anon.) Shingler (Be54.).

FDDDEdd. Mary Hurst, wife of (anon.) Griffin (Be54.).

FDDDEde. Margaret Hurst, wife of (anon.) Griffin (Be54.), wife of Abraham Griffin (Be55.). Margaret Griffin of Clinton Twp, Lincoln Co., d 9.27.1887. Her widower was named in 1889 as Abraham Griffin, of Village of Beamsville, Lincoln Co., Ontario (Be55.); their son:

FDDDEdeA. John C. Griffin, named as the son of Abraham Griffin and Margaret Griffin (Be55.), Margaret Griffin nee Hurst (Be54.), therefore grandson of James W. A. Hurst and wife (assumed grandmother of J. C. G.) Catherine Hurst nee Bentley (Be54., Be53.) and great-grandson of Sarah (Beam) (Bentley) Lyons and Ira Bentley (Be53., Be51.). John C. Griffin, in 1887, was living in the Twp of Rochester, Essex County, Ontario, Canada (Be55.). No further investigation has been made to locate possible descendants.

FDDDEdf. Sarah Hurst, wife of (anon.) Gilmore (Be54.).

FDDDEdg. Susanna Hurst; Susan, "age 26" in 1861, dtr of James and Catherine Hurst, Grimsby Twp, Lincoln Co., Ontario (Be57.); Susanna, dtr of James W. A. Hurst (Be54.).

FDDDEdH. Edroy Hurst, assumed to be the son of James W. A. Hurst and Catherine (Be56., and as "Edwin" in 1861, Be57.).

FDDDEdI. Robert Hurst, assumed to be the son of James W. A. Hurst and Catherine (Be56., Be57.).

FDDDEdj. Lucella Hurst (Be56.) or (?) Rosetta Hurst (Be57.), assumed to be the dtr of James W. A. Hurst and Catherine (Be56., Be57.).

FDDDEdK. Alfred Hurst, assumed to be the son of James W. A. Hurst and Catherine (Be56., Be57.).

FDDDEdL. Albert J. Hurst, son of James W. A. Hurst and assumed to be the son of Catherine, wife of James (Be54.); Albert, assumed to be the son of James W. A. Hurst and Catherine (Be56., Be57.).

FDDDEdM. Algernon R. Hurst, son of James W. A. Hurst and assumed to be the son of Catherine, wife of James (Be54.); Algernon, assumed to be the son of James W. A. Hurst and wife Catherine (Be56., Be57.).

FDDDEE. Ira Bentley, son of Sarah Lyons (Be53.). His mother was the widow **first** of Ira Bentley and **secondly** of Amos Lyons (Be51.). Ira's mother Sarah named him as her son in her **Will** written on 2.14.1864, and proved on 1.25.1876 (Be53.). Whatever became of Ira this searcher does not know.

FDDDEf. Anna Bentley, dtr of Sarah Lyons (Be53.). Her mother was the widow **first** of Ira Bentley and **secondly** of Amos Lyons (Be51.). Sarah named her dtr Anna Kelsey nee Bentley (Be53.). The first name of Anna's husband was not given.

FDDDEg. Asmana Bentley, dtr of Sarah Lyons (Be53.). Asmana's mother was the widow **first** of Ira Bentley and **secondly** of Amos Lyons (Be51.). In her **Will** written on 2.14.1864, Sarah Beam named her dtr as Asmana Rois (spelling?) nee Bentley (Be53.). The first name of Asmana's husband was not given.

FDDDF. Samuel Bentl(e)y, son of SAMUEL BENTL(E)Y (b 1746, RI), has been known to this searcher only from the following documents seen prior to the (1) MI Census Reports and the (2) "Genealogical Record" sheets, both of which are indicated below. The documents include:

(1) the Deed for Lot 4 on Con. 5, Markham Twp, York Co., Ontario, Canada, naming "Samuel Bentley, **Jr., 1824-29**" from W'm Bentley and "Sam Bentley and **wife, 1827-29**" to Michiel Fierheller (Be16D.);

(2) the Deed for Lot 3 on Con. 5, Markham Twp, York Co., Ontario, Canada, naming "SAMUEL BENTLY, **SENIOR** of Twp. Markham, Blacksmith, 1810, to Josiah Heminway, W 50 a." (Be16C.); and

(3) Upper Canada Land Petition # 92 of SAMUEL BENTLEY, 18 August 1800, blacksmith and scythe maker . . . "to return for the remainder of family—a wife and **two younger children"** stated without their names after indicating five older children naming three sons and two sons-in-laws (Be15E.).

(4) Also see Be120. (1811, jury duty) and Be121.C. (1813, treason).

This searcher believes that the "lost" Samuel Bentley **(Be:FDDDF.)** is none other than the following **"Samuel Bently, Sr." named in the 1870 CR for Macomb Co., MI (Bruce Twp, Romeo P.O.), "80 years old, born in New York"** and living with his son Samuel Bentley, Jr. (Be362.). SAMUEL

BENTL(E)Y (**Be:FDDD.**) was believed to have been in Ballstown, **NY,** 1790 (**Heads of Families, NY, 1790**, p. 17.), with a John Bentley (identity?), the Plum(b), and the Aspinwall families (see evidence for SAMUEL'S dtr Deborah Bentley, **Be:FDDDb.,** wife of Joseph Plumb).

At about midnight on 7.16.1978, this searcher was attempting to "straighten out his notes" on the Bentleys when he stumbled upon extracts from the 1850, 1870, and 1900 Census Reports for MI, Macomb Co., Bruce Twp, Romeo village, and for Lapeer Co., MI. The extracts had been received at sometime several months earlier from Ed. M. Bentley of Seattle, but for some reason or other they had been "shelved." Yes, these "Samuel Bentl(e)ys" named in the census reports were the same ones named on the "Genealogical Record" sheets submitted by Howard Bentley in 1927 to Mary Lovering Holman. In the "Bentley Ms." organized and collected by MLH and later deposited in the NEHGSL, Boston, this searcher had earlier seen the three-page five-generation-report, almost one year to the very day. Howard D. Bentley reported on the families of his father Samuel J. Bentley, grandfather Samuel S. Bentley, and **named his great-grandfather Samuel Bentley,** with the names and birth dates of his own children (Be34C.).

In the CR of 1900 for Macomb Co., MI (Be360.), appear the names of **Samuel Bentley ("his father, b NY;** his mother, b **Canada East"), b 1826, Canada East,** husband of **Ursula**; in the report of Howard D. Bentley, similar names appear as **"Samuel S. Bentley" ("son of Samuel"),** b **NY**, husband of **"Arsula Webster,"** and father of **"Samuel J." Bentley.** Correspondent Howard D. Bentley (Be34C.), grandson of Samuel "S." Bentley and son of Samuel "J." Bentley, probably inserted the letters "S." and "J." to indicate "Senior" and "Junior," respectively (?). **He named his great-grandfather as just plain "Samuel," the same person referred to as 80-y old "Samuel Bently, Sr." in the 1870 CR for Macomb Co., MI.**

In the **CR of 1870** for Macomb Co., MI (Be362.), the news that **"Samuel Bently, Sr., 80 years old, was born in New York,"** was included for the family and dwelling of "Ersulah" and "Samuel Bently" (Samuel, age 45, therefore b ca 1825, b "Canada") and their children. The 80-year old Samuel was **not** named as a 70-year old in the 1860 CR for either Macomb or Lapeer Co., MI (searched on 8.4.1978, LB, CA). However, Ed M. Bentley of Seattle had located same earlier in the 1850 CR for Oregon Twp, Lapeer Co., MI. In 1850, **Samuel** was stated to have been "59 years old, b **NY**," and his **wife Mary,** "56 years old, b **Lower Canada.**" Also named in the 1850 CR, but for Bruce Twp in Macomb Co., were Samuel and "Eursula" Bentley.

Research was started in Quebec Province, Canada (formerly known as Lower Canada from 1791 to 1841 and as Canada East from 1841 to 1867), in August of 1978, to locate records of Bentl(e)ys in Quebec. Results of this research may be obtained too late for inclusion in this publication.

Howard's mother "Ella B. Wellestead" is named (Be34C.) as the wife of "Samuel J. Bentley." In the CR of 1900 (Be360.) are found the names of

Samuel Bentley, b 1858, MI, with wife Ella, parents of Howard Bentley, b 1891, MI, so indicated.

This searcher's hypothesis is that the following named persons are the offspring of Samuel Bentley **(Be:FDDDF.)**, b NY, son of SAMUEL BENTLEY (**Be:FDDD.**), b RI Colony:

(1) "Tompson Bentley," b ca 1811, "Canada;" (2) Samuel Bentley, b December, 1826, CE (now Quebec); (3) Mary Bentley, b ca 1828, LC (now Quebec); (4) Emily Bentley, b ca 1830, UC (now Ontario); (5) Miranda Bentley, b ca 1832, UC (now Ontario); (6) Lucinda Bentley, b ca 1834, Pennsylvania; and (7) Charles Bentley, b ca 1837, MI. Chances are that there were other children b before Samuel besides "Tompson."

FDDDFA. Tompson Bentley, b ca 1811, Canada, m Margaret A. (----), b ca 1816, NY (Be364.). Their res (1850) was Sterling, Macomb Co., MI. Was Tompson the son of Samuel? Consider the circumstantial evidence:

(1) Tompson Bentley and wife Margaret A. (----) were in Macomb Co. in 1850, at the same time Samuel Bentley, Jr., and his wife "Eursula" were (Be364., Be365.).

(2) Samuel, Jr., and Tompson Bentley were both b in Canada, although about 13 years apart; both of their wives were b in NY (Be364., Be365.).

(3) Samuel (Sr.) Bentley and Tompson Bentley both had 18-year-old dtrs b in Canada and also 16-year-old dtrs b in Pennsylvania (Be364., Be365.).

(4) However, Tompson's 13-year-old dtr was b in Canada and Charles, who appears to be Samuel (Sr.) Bentley's 13-year-old son (living with Samuel's son Samuel) (?), was b in MI (Be364., Be365., Be363.).

(5) Neither Tompson Bentley nor Samuel (Sr.) Bentley are in either Macomb Co. or in Lapeer Co., MI, in 1860; **but** Samuel (Sr.) Bentley reappears in Macomb in the same dwelling with Samuel (Jr.) Bentley in 1870 (Be362.). The wife Mary of Samuel (Sr.) Bentley had, presumably, passed away before 1870; her burial place is unknown to this searcher.

"Tompson" Bentley **(Be:FDDDFA.)** and Margaret A. (----), his wife, appeared to have had these CH:

FDDDFAa. Mary A. Bentley, b ca 1831/2, Canada (Be364.).

FDDDFAb. Sarah A. Bentley, b ca 1833/4, PA (Be364.).

FDDDFAc. Harriet E. Bentley, b ca 1836/7, Canada (Be364.).

FDDDFAd. Hannah J. Bentley, b ca 1838/9, Canada (Be364.).

FDDDFAe. Margret Bentley, b ca 1841/2, Canada (Be364.).

FDDDFAf. Clarissa M. Bentley, b ca 1844/5, Canada (Be364.).

FDDDFAg. Saphronia C. Bentley, b ca 1845/6, MI (Be364.).

FDDDFAh. Roxy M. Bentley, b ca April or May 1850, MI (BE364.).

FDDDFB. Samuel Bentley ("Samuel S. Bentley") (initial "S."?), farmer, b Canada, d Romeo, MI (Be34C.); "Samuel Bentley," b 12.1826, Canada East (now Quebec), son of Samuel Bentley, b NY, and Mary (------), b Canada East; went to MI in 1847, living AE 73 y in 1900 (Be360.); son of Samuel Bentley (Be34C.). "Samuel T. Bentley," farmer, d of pneumonia on 12.21.1904, Romeo Village, Macomb Co., MI, at age 79 y, 11 m, 25 d (i.e., b 12.26.1824), white, male, m; b in Canada, son of Samuel J. Bentley (deceased) and (-----) Huntington (??) (Be379.A.). Samuel Bentley m ca 1848, "m 52 y" in 1900, "Ursula," b 6.1828, NY, living AE 71 y in 1900, dtr of father b NY, and of mother b CT (Be360.) m "Arsula Webster," b NY, d Romeo, MI (Be34C.); res (1847 to 1900+): Romeo, Village (P.O.), "Bruce Twp," Macomb Co., MI (Be360.). According to a Macomb Co. deed recorded March 12, 1846 (Liber Q, p. 425) (Index, 1818-1846), Samuel Bentley of the Twp of Shelby, Macomb Co., MI, on January 1, 1846, purchased for $800 from William G. Anderson and wife Jemima, residents of Washington Twp, Macomb Co., the East half of the North West quarter of Section No. One in Twp No. Three North, of Range Twelve East, containing 80 acres of land (Be380.). In 1900, seven of their seven CH were living (Be360.); in 1927, three sons John, Charles, and Samuel Bentley were living; their 7 CH:

(a) "Alfreda" (Be362., Be368.), "Alfrida" (Be365.), "Freda" (Be34C.); (b) "Meranda" (Be365.), "Miranda" (Be368.), "Martha" (Be34C.); (C) Charles (Be365., Be368., Be362., Be34C.), Charles H. (Be379.B., Be379.C., Be386.); (d) "Louisa" (Be362., Be368.), "Luiasa" (Be34C.); (E) "Samuel" (Be360., Be362., Be368.), "Samuel J." (Be34C., Be379.C., Be386.); (f) "Sarah" (Be362., Be368.), "Mary" (Be34C.); and (G) "John" (Be362., Be34C.) Bentley.

FDDDFBa. Alfreda Bentley, b ca 1848 (Be365.), Bruce Twp, Macomb Co., MI.

FDDDFBb. Miranda Bentley, b ca 1849 (Be365., Be361.), Bruce Twp, Macomb Co., MI; m Leonard Hosner, b ca 1843, MI; res (1870): Bruce Twp (Romeo P.O.), Macomb Co., MI; CH (in 1870):

FDDDFBbA. Clayton Hosner, b ca 1870, likely Bruce Twp, Macomb Co., MI.

FDDDFBC. Charles Bentley, b ca 1852 (Be362., Be368.), likely in Bruce Twp, Macomb Co., MI. According to three Romeo newspaper-articles: (1) Charles Bentley had a new house enclosed on Prospect Street (July 1, 1885); (2) Charles Bentley "is supervising" the repainting of the high school building (August 15, 1900); and (3) Charles Bentley sold his house on Prospect Street. . . "Mr. and Mrs. Bentley will go to farming" (January 30, 1901) (Be386.).

Charles H. Bentley, painter, age of 38 y, res and b in Romeo, MI, son of Samuel Bentley and A. Webster (previously m twice), m **thirdly** July 11, 1892, Macomb Co., MI, to Emma Lyons, Timothy's dtr, age of 29 y, res and b in Romeo (Be379.C.). Charles and Emma had these CH:

FDDDFBCa. Mabel T. Bentley, b 2.24.1893, Romeo, Macomb Co., MI, dtr of Charles Bentley of Romeo, b MI, housepainter, and Emma Bentley, b MI (Be379.B.).

FDDDFBCB. Roy Bentley b 12.29.1894, Romeo, Macomb Co., MI, son of Charles Bentley, b MI, housepainter, and Emma, b MI (Be379.B.).

FDDDFBd. Louisa Bentley, b ca 1854/5 (Be362., Be368.), likely Bruce Twp, Macomb Co., MI.

FDDDFBE. Samuel Bentley, b 3.1858, MI, age 42 y in 1900, son of father b in Canada (----) and mother b NY (Be360.); "Samuel J. Bentley," b 3.13.1857, Romeo, MI, occupation as painter and decorator; m 8.16.1879, Romeo, MI, to "Ella B. Wellestead," b 1.28.1862, Romeo, MI, d 11.13.1924, AE 63 y. Detroit, MI; Ella was the dtr of W'm J. Wellestead and wife Martha Yates (Be34C.). According to the 1860 CR, William "Wellsted" was a 24 y old shoemaker m to Martha, age 20 y, both b England, with two CH—2 y old Frederick and 1 y old Frank, both b MI (Be369.). "Samuel J. Bentley" purchased a dwelling house on East St. Clair Street, according to a Romeo, MI, newspaper article dated March 4, 1903 (Be386.). Samuel and Ella had six CH: (A) Clyde, (b) Pamela, (C) William J., (D) Frederick, (E) Harrison A., and (E) Howard D. Bentley.

FDDDFBEA. Clyde Bentley, "b 7.1880," MI, age 19 in 1900 (Be360.); b 7.1880, Romeo, MI, d 2.9.1924, Detroit MI, m "Ethell Pelette" (Be34C.). Clyde Bentley, painter, age of 22 y, res and b in Romeo, MI, son of Samuel J. Bentley and Ella "Webstead," m March 21, 1903, Macomb Co., MI, to "Ethel Pelett," age of 19 y, res and b Burns, St. Clair Co., MI, dtr of "Daniel Pellett" (Be379.C.).

FDDDFBEb. Pamela Bentley, "Pemula," b 12.3.1882, Romeo, Bruce Twp, Macomb Co., MI; res (1927): Detroit, MI; m Fred Woodbeck (Be34C.). "Pamala" Bentley, age of 17 y, res and b in Romeo, MI, dtr of S. J. Bentley and Ella "Welsted," m May 3, 1899, Macomb Co., MI, to Fred Woodbeck, farmer, age of 26 y, res and b in Armada, Macomb Co., MI, son of Lorenzo Woodbeck and Adalade Powell (Be379.C.).

FDDDFBEC. William J. Bentley, "b 11.1883," age 16 y in 1900 (Be360.); b 11.8.1884, Romeo, MI; res (1927): Detroit, MI (Be34C.).

FDDDFBED. Frederick Bentley, b 6.1885, age 14 (1900) (Be360.); b 2.7.1886, Romeo, MI, res (1927): Detroit, MI (Be34C.).

FDDDFBEE. Harrison A. Bentley, b 9.1888, age 11 (1900) (Be360.); b 10.1.1888, Romeo, MI, res (1927): Detroit, MI; m Maggie Welch (Be34.).

FDDDFBEF. Howard D. Bentley, b 9.1891, age 8 y (1900) (Be360.); b 10.2.1891, Romeo, MI, graduate of Detroit Chiropractic College, practicing Chiropractor (1927); **correspondent** in 1927, with Mary Lovering Holman and Harry C. Bentley, Boston, MA (Be34C.). Howard m 10.23.1911, Royal Oak (now a residential suburb of Detroit), Oakland Co., MI, to Mamie D.

Johnson, b 4.4.1893, Livonia, MI, dtr of William Johnson and wife Louisa Maynard; res (1927): 3753 Wabash Ave., Detroit (Be34C.); 3 CH:

FDDDFBEFA. Stanley Bentley, b 8.11.1913, Romeo, d 5.13.1914, Romeo, MI (Be34C.).

FDDDFBEFB. H. Deane Bentley, b 3.13.1916, Romeo, MI; res (1927) as child in Detroit, MI (Be34C.).

FDDDFBEFc. Pyrma Bentley, b 7.23.1918, Detroit, MI (Be34C.).

FDDDFBf. Sarah Bentley, b ca 1863; living in Bruce Twp, Macomb Co., MI, AE 9 y (Be362.); "Mary," d before 1927 (Be34C.).

FDDDFBG. John Bentley, b ca 1863; living in Bruce Twp, Macomb Co., MI, AE 7 y in 1870 (Be362.).

FDDDFc. Mary Bentley, b ca 1828, Lower Canada (now Quebec) (Be363.).

FDDDFd. Emily Bentley, b ca 1830, Upper Canada (now Ontario) (Be363.).

FDDDFe. Miranda Bentley, b ca 1832, Upper Canada (now Ontario) (Be363.).

FDDDFf. Lucinda Bentley, b ca 1834, Pennsylvania, USA (Be363.).

FDDDFG. Charles Bentley, b ca 1837, MI (Be365.).

FDDDg. (Anon. SAMUEL'S dtr) Bentley (Be15E., Be15D.). Only fragmentary evidence for the existence of this offspring of SAMUEL'S exists. He had stated in his Upper Canada Land Petition of 8.18.1800, that he had three sons REUBEN, Elijah, and Ira; he implied that he had two daughters and named two sons-in-law Joseph Plumb and Moses Bamford. He further added that he was to return for the remainder of family — "a wife and two younger children." SAMUEL did not indicate the sex of each of the children. This searcher assumes that they were **his** two children (Be15E.). Ira Bentley, in his Upper Canada Land Petition of 8.28.1801, stated that "his father, **three brothers**, and three other relations" were living in Markham (Be15D.). The third brother is likely Samuel Bentley, Jr., named on the Deed for Lot 4 of Con. 5, Markham, 1824-5, **"Samuel Bentley, Jr."** (Be16D.). The third brother Samuel Bentley, Jr., is implied in the Deed for Lot 3 of Con. 5, Markham, **"SAMUEL BENTLY, SENIOR"** of Twp. Markham, Blacksmith, 1810 (Be16C.). No other brothers were implied. Ira's "three other relations" in Markham in 1801, would include his two brothers-in-law supposedly and whom else? Was the seventh of SAMUEL'S offspring (as implied) likely a boy or a girl? The data available is really insufficient to make a bona fide determination. However, this searcher suspects a girl.

Who is "Melinda Bentley" (whose dtr?) who was the wife of Amariah Plumb, son of Joseph Plumb and step-son of Deborah Bentley, **Be:FDDDb.** (see)? Could Melinda possibly be Samuel's anonymous offspring (if his dtr, class. as **Be:FDDDg.**).

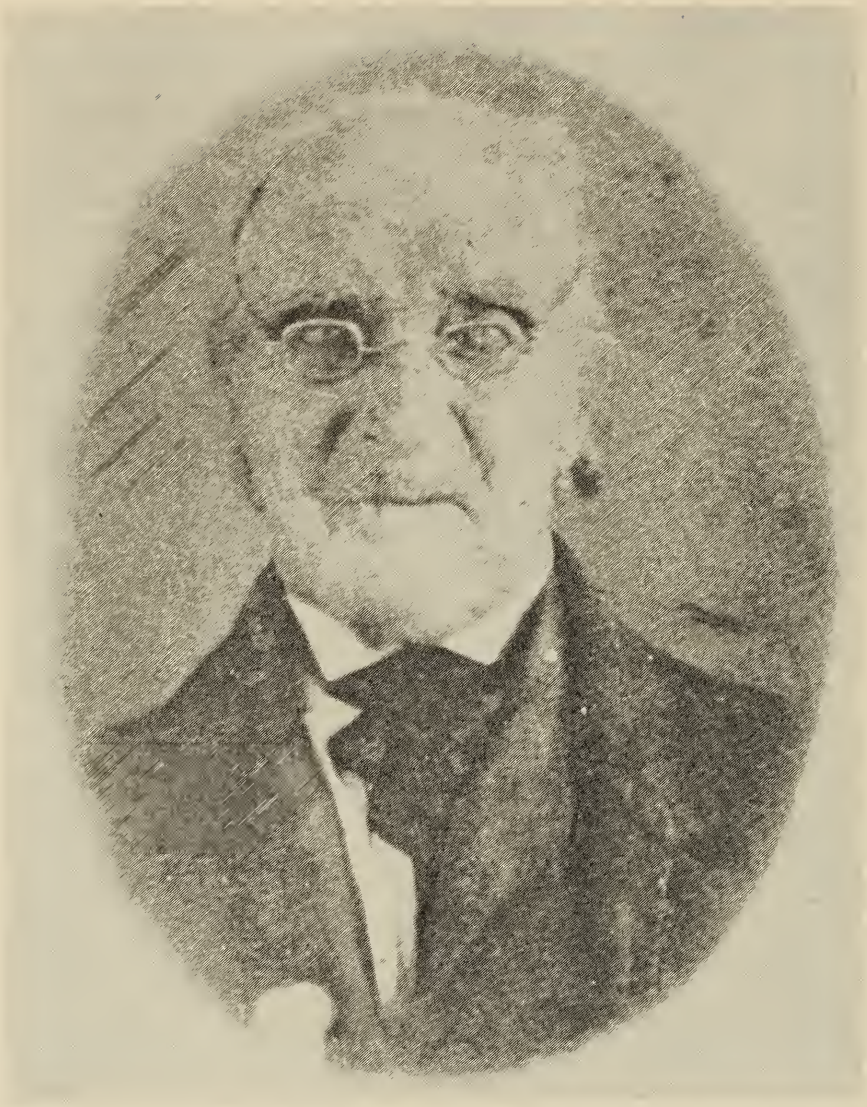
Subsubline IV.DE. Benjamin, Be:FDDE.

FDDE. Benjamin Bentley, Jr., b 5.5.1749, son of Benjamin Bentley, "Jr.," and Sarah, Exeter (1:201) (Be21.B.), Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations. Benjamin was a cooper (1781) (Be204.).

He is **believed** to have been the same Benjamin Bentley, Jr., who on August 24, 1780, was married in Exeter to Ruth Fowler of Exeter, by Elder James Weightman (Exeter Marriage Book 3:60).

Ed. M. Bentley, Seattle, WA, in his letter of 10.9.1977: "What information do you have on Benj.[4] (Benj.[3], Thomas[2], Wm[1]) Bentley? I have guessed that he is the Benj. who m Ruth (Gardner) (?) Fowler, b Jan. 12, 1750, Exeter, widow of Job J. Fowler . . ."

Perhaps one of Benjamin's descendants, assuming interested ones are living, will find a copy of this book and add new lines with documented identification and meaningful classification.



Gideon Bentley, **Be:FDDF.,** b 1750, d 1858, the "Patriarch of Constantia."
Photo submitted by K.B. Wheaton (Be101.).

Subline IV.DF. Gideon, Be:FDDDF.

FDDF. Gideon Bentley, son of BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y and SARAH SHIPPEE, b 8.12.1750, Exeter (birth date from obit.), Colony of RI and PP, d 1.20.1858,[1] AE.107 y, 5 m, 8 d, a ripe old age, at Constantia, Oswego Co., NY (also see Be81.).

Gideon m **first** 4.5.1781, Exeter, RI, Elizabeth Neagers (Neagus or Negus) of North Kingstown, RI, by Elder James Weightman (Wightman, Whitman) (Exeter, 3:34) (Be.32.). Gideon m **secondly** Isabel Gardner, b between 1770-80.

An "Elizabeth" Bentley d 4.27.1800, at **Providence, Saratoga Co., NY**; Elizabeth and apparent husband Gideon Bentley were admitted to the Baptist Church of Christ there in 1796 (Be.84.). Identities?

Gideon enlisted in the Revolutionary War at Exeter, RI, 12.1.1776, in Captain Samuel Phillips' Company of (?) First Rhode Island Regiment under Col. Stanton. Having served a full term of one year, he was discharged. He helped to build forts at Newport, Tiverton, and Fort Island while in Taylor's (?) Regiment. Afterwards he shipped for three months on a Privateer, the "Marlboro" of Boston under the command of Captain Wait Babcock, and "cruised off Jamaica." In the fall of 1778, he enlisted at Newport, RI, for two months in Captain Bates Co., under Col. Bartlett.

Gideon Bentley was a resident of Constantia, Oswego Co., NY, in May 1833. In 9.1853, he swore out an affidavit applying for a pension at 102 years of age, "sound of mind and body," claiming that he had served for more than three years in the Revolutionary War. His son Joseph Bentley signed as witness.

Another affidavit dated 2.22.1855, shows his claim to be 104 years of age at that time. By Elizabeth, Gideon was believed to have had nine children; and by Isabel, he had five (Be.96.).

The Revolutionary War Pension File for Gideon Bentley, is in the National Archives, Washington, DC. The file is a valuable source of information (Ref: S12177, BL Wt. 26166, 160a-1855), containing various papers, among which the following was located:

In the Fall of 1778 he enlisted for two months, Capt. Bates, Col. Bartlett (he thinks).

Phillip Morris of Albion, aged about 93 years, a pensioner, was a teamster about April 1, 1775, Capt. John Stafford for 18 months. . . became acquainted with Gideon Bentley, although not in the same company, and remembers his various officers, etc. P. Morris saw him again in 1778 when Gideon was a private in Capt. Bates' Company. Phillip Morris stated: "We

[1] According to the note written by Colonel Bentley's son and now in possession of Karen Berns Wheaton, Gideon Bentley d *ae.* 107 years on January 20, 1858. Also, according to the copy of Gideon's obit in possession of Mrs. Gage (Be73.B.), appearing in the **Daily Journal,** Syracuse, NY, dated **1.23.1858**, Gideon had died "a few days since."

were very intimate friends and we took great interest in each other's welfare. After we left the war, I left Rhode Island and lost all traces of him until about a year ago when I heard he was living on the shores of Oneida Lake. I found him living with his son in Constantia. He is an old man — eight or ten or more years older than I am. His faculties are good."

In the "Revolutionary War Pension File S 12177, BL Wt 26, 166-160-55," these following four items are preserved (among others): (1) Gideon's Bounty Land Application, (2) Gideon's Pension Application, (3) Gideon's sworn affidavit, and (4) part of Gideon's service record on two company rolls and two pay abstracts.

(1) . . . **On this 27th day of March A.D. 1855** before me the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace duly authorized by law to administer oaths within and for the county and State aforesaid, **personally appeared Gideon Bentley aged 104 years,** a resident of the town of Constantia in the County of Oswego and State of New York who being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical Gideon Bentley who was a revolutionary private in the company commanded by Captain Samuel Philips and Clark in the regiment of Rhodeisland Malitia (**sic**) commanded by Col. Stanton in the Revolutionary War with Greate britian (**sic**).

That he enlisted or entered the service at Exeter in the State of Rhode Island about the first day of September A.D. 1777 for the term of one year and continued in actual service in said war for the term of one year and was honorably discharged at ------(?) on or about the 1st day of October A.D. 1778 and that he now (is) receiving a pension of fifty Dollars per anum (**sic**).

He makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Bounty Land to which he may be entitled on account of and service under the Act approved. . .

Gideon (his X mark) Bentley

(2) Gideon Bentley (**Be:FDDF.**) applied for a pension as follows:

On this 24th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court in the court of Common Pleas of Oswego County now sitting, **Gideon Bentley** a resident of said county and state, aged eighty ------- years. . . that he was **born at Exeter Rhode Island Augt. 1752.** Knows of no record of his age. Lived at Exeter where he entered Service. Since war have lived at **Little Hoosick, Chenary** (?), **Pompey, N. Y.**, now **Constantia, Oswego Co., N. Y.** Enlisted under Capt. Samuel Phillips 1 Decr. 1776. . . "

(3) Gideon Bentley (**Be:FDDF.**), "a man of credibility. . ." personally appeared and made oath to this following affidavit before a Justice of Peace.

State of New York, Oswego County, **on this 24th day of May 1833** before me personally appeared **Gideon Bentley** a resident of said county who being duly proven, deposes and says,

That he enlisted at Exeter 1st of December 1776 in Capt. Samuel Phillips Company — 1st or 2nd Rhode Island Regt under command of Col. Stanton — Genl Spencer in command of whole troops — that the service was performed at Newport and Fort Island in building fort, and from thence to Tiverton to work also at building a fort and continued so in service until the expiration of his service in fall of 1777 when he was discharged having served the full term of **one year.**

Soon after this discharge and expiration of service, this deponent shipped for **3 months** on board Privateer **Ma(r)lboro** — at Boston — under Capt. George Wait Babcock and cruised off Jamaica Islands, and served the full term of **three months**.

In the fall of 1778 Enlisted for **two months** in a Capt. Bates Company, and under the command as he beleives (**sic**) of a Colonel Bartlett — that he went to Tiverton and joined the troops then there and served the full term of **Five months**.

In the Spring of the Year 1776 this deponent was called out as a **Minute Man** in Captain Walter Clarke's company of militia and served at Quitneesick Neck for the full term of **one month**.

Your deponent further says that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no living witness to prove his Services.

Gideon (his X mark) Bentley

(4) One form or another of Gideon Bentley's (**Be:FDDF.**) name appeared on two company rolls and on two pay abstracts:

(a) The name "Giden Bentley" (Rev. War) appears on a **List** of Lieut. Stephen Whitman's Company, April, 1777 (Swain, Copyist).

(b) The name of "Giddeon Bently" (Rev. War) appears on a **List** of Capt. Jonathan Bates, Jr.'s Company, Col. Charles Dyre's 2nd Regiment in Kings County called together May 25, 1777 (Swain, Copyist).

(c) The name of "Gedeion Bentley" (Rev. War) appears on a **Pay Abstract** of Lieut. Stephen Wightman's fifth division belonging to Col. Dyer's Regiment ordered out on actual duty for July 13 to 28. Abstract is dated Exeter, July 13, 1777. Days: 14. "Signature Gedeion Bentley" (Swain, Copyist).

(d) The name of "Gederon Bentley" (Rev. War) appears on a **Pay Abstract** of Lieut. Stephen Wightman's fifth division belonging to Col. Dyer's Regiment ordered out on actual duty for July 28 to Aug. 12. Abstract is dated Exeter, July 28, 1777. Days: 15. "Signature Gedeon Bentley" (Copyist -----) (space blank for copyist's name).

According to the information on Mrs. Edith Frances (German) Gage's DAR application form, on the part entitled "Ancestor's Services," from the source indicated as **Rhode Island Pensions**, Vol. V, p. 137 (DAR Library), her ancestor Gideon Bentley's services in assisting in the establishment of American Independence during the War of the Revolution were as follows (Be73.):

Private in 1777 on board Ship "Marlboro" at Boston for three months under Capt. George Waite Babcock. He was discharged at Boston (in) 1778. He was called out again in April 1779, under Capt. Walter Clark as a Minuteman and was stationed at Quansett and other places to guard lines.

He continued in service one year and ten months; part of the time he was engaged in making clothes as he was a tailor by trade.

1780 was his last year of service. He was finally discharged about the last of January 1781.

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Gideon Bentley (Be:FDDF.) (Be.83.),

of Constantia, Oswego County, who died a few days since, was born in the town of Exeter (RI), August 12th, 1750. He served under Col. Barton[1] in a Rhode Island regiment one year and as a minuteman three years. He was a volunteer in a company under Capt. Barton,[2] who crossed over to Long Island in boats and captured a body of tories, killing fifteen and taking seventy-five prisoners, making a narrow escape — getting into the boats just as the British came up and fired a volley at them as they were pulling from shore, but doing no damage. He has voted at every Presidential election from Washington to Buchanan. He had at the time of his death thirteen children; also, grandchildren and great-grandchildren numbering **225 — all of whom are now living.**

The Citizens' Corps, under command of Lieut. Colonel Walrath, left the city early Saturday morning, in carriages, and crossed Oneida Lake in sleighs, for the purpose of taking part in the burial services of this aged Patriot. The weather was clear and cold, imparting intensity to the feelings; and the occasion, altogether, will long be remembered by all who participated in it. After lunch at the Constantia House, the Corps, with Sutherland's full band, marched to the late residence of the deceased, in the outskirts of the village, where a large concourse of citizens were assembled, and received the remains with military honors. A procession formed and proceeded on foot to the Episcopal Church, which was already filled to overflowing. The march of the long procession from the house to the church was a most imposing spectacle. The village was (as) still as the grave — the people, young and old, fell into line, as if **all** were desirous of taking part in honoring the memory of their departed friend. The exercises were conducted by the Rev. F. Hebbard, of Cicero, who delivered a most impressive discourse, and closed by alluding eloquently to the eventful life of the deceased. He was represented as a man above reproach, who gloried in the onward march of freedom for which he and his compatriots contended on the field of battle. Last year the "Corps" paid a visit to the old man,

[1]Col. Bartlett?

[2]Capt. Bates?

which seemed for the moment to revive the fire of his younger years. He accepted the appointment of honorary member of the company, and parted with them, expressing the wish that at his death they would give him a military burial. The "Corps" have greatly honored themselves in rendering this service to this almost last relic of a memorable and sanguinary struggle. From the church the body was escorted to the grave, five miles distant, by the company and a long procession of carriages filled with the people of the surrounding country. At the grave, Col. Walrath remarked as follows:

> Comrades, a solemn call has summoned us together. It is the funeral dirge which announces to us that one of the Veterans, a relic of the Revolution, has gone to the receptacle of the dead.
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> Gideon Bentley is no more with the living. On the 15th of last June we beheld him for the first time. His head was white with the frosts of **five score and seven winters**. And who is here, that was not struck with the remarkable preservation of his health and intellect. Now he
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> Wraps the drapery of his couch about him,
> And lies down to pleasant dreams
>
> It is in obedience to the dictates of our hearts that we are now assembled to perform the rites due the soldier of '76. Another link which bound us to the past is broken. An old veteran full of years, and ripe for the celestial harvest, is gathered to his fathers and sleeps in the peaceful stillness of the grave.
>
> The Veteran died as a Christian dies,
> With hope in his Savior God,
> And now on that brave old heart there lies
> The heavy and fresh grave sod
>
> I do not intend to add to the able and eloquent eulogy pronounced today. Let us now proceed to perform the last duties, and pay the final tribute of respect to the remains of a Revolutionary Patriot, a kind neighbor, and a friend and fellow Citizen.

At the close of Col. Walrath's remarks, the surrounding hills echoed with volleys of musketry, and the honored dead rested in his silent grave.

> Peace to his ashes.
> He sleeps his last sleep; he has fought his last battle.
> No sound shall awake him to glory again.

The "Corps" re-crossed the lake on the ice, with several hairbreadth escapes, at South Bay gave a vote of thanks to the gentleman of that place who kindly furnished teams for crossing to Constantia, and arrived home at 9 P.M. Col. W. and his men are deserving credit for their soldierly bearing, and the perfection with which all the ceremonies were carried out. Col. R. F. Stevens accompanied them in the excercises. (Be.83.)

Gideon Bentley (**Be:FDDF.**), according to an earlier edition of **The Encyclopaedia Americana**, was an American soldier, b 1751,[1] d in Constantia (Oswego Co.), NY, 1858. He was remarkable for his longevity, 107 years, and for the excellent, though humble, services which he rendered as a private soldier in the Revolutionary War. This source of information was supplied in **1927** by James Knowlton Bentley (**Be:FDDADBC.**), who claimed relationship (that of great-grandson of Gideon's brother Caleb) to Gideon Bentley (**BE:FDDF.**) (Be82.).

Mrs. Ira (Maria Hannah Bentley) Freeman **(Be:FDDACFBf.)** (see), a great-great-granddaughter of Gideon's brother Caleb, living in Los Angeles, CA, in 1927, wrote a brief account of Gideon and mentioned a photograph that she had of him *ae.* 105 years.

The hypothetical sequence of the 14 births of Gideon Bentley's children (as classified here) follows.

By his **first** wife Elizabeth Negus ("Neagers"), Gideon Bentley was the father of: (A) Isaac, (B) **Christopher**, (C) Thomas, (d) Elizabeth, (E) Frederick, (f) Sarah, (G) **Gideon**, (H) **William**, and (i) Esther Bentley.

By his **second** wife Isabel Gardner, Gideon Bentley was the father of: (J) Clark, (K) Joseph, (l) (anon. dtr of Gideon) Bentley, (M) David, and (N) Elisha Bentley.

Gideon Bentley and his sons were named in the Federal Census Reports (Be86.). According to census searchers R. Ferris Randall of Eden, NY (1977), and Edwin Bentley of Seattle, WA (1977), the names "Fred(e)rick Bentl(e)y" and "Gideon Bentley" appear on the **Federal Census Reports** for **Coshocton Co., OH**, in 1820[2] and in 1830;[3] for **Pike Co., IL**, in 1840;[4] **and for Perry Twp, Pike Co., Il, in 1850**.[5] The names are assumed to be those of the sons of Gideon Bentley, Sr. **(Be:FDDF.)**, namely Frederick Bentley **(Be:FDDFE.)** and Gideon Bentley (Jr.) **(FDDFG.)**.

Apparently Thomas Bentley **(BE:FDDFC.)** (?) of Richland Grove Twp, Mercer Co., IL,[6] and William Bentley **(Be:FDDFH.)** (?) of **Perry Twp, Pike Co., IL,**[7] both of whom are named in the 1850 Federal C. R., are brothers of Frederick Bentley **(Be:FDDFE.)** and Gideon Bentley **(Be:FDDFG.)**.

Gideon Bentley, Sr. **(Be:FDDF.)**, at age 100 in **1850**, was living with his son Joseph Bentley **(Be:FDDFK.)** in **Constantia, Oswego Co., NY.**[8]

[1] b 8.12.1750, d 1.20.1858, *ae.* 107 y, 5 m, 8 d (from a composite of sources).

[2] **Federal Census Report** for year, state, and county as indicated, pp 27A and 30A.

[3] **Ibid.**,5pp 66 and 67.

[4] **Ibid.**, pp 34 and 124.

[5] **Ibid.**, pp 45 and 54.

[6] **Ibid.**, p 404.

[7] **Ibid.**, p 45.

[8] **Ibid.**, p 312.

Christopher Bentley (**Be:FDDFB.**), in **1850**, lived in **Clifton Park, Saratoga Co., NY.**[1] In 1840, Gideon Bentley, Sr. (**Be:FDDF.**) and sons Elisha Bentley (**Be:FDDFN.**), David Bentley (**Be:FDDFM.**), and Joseph Bentley (**Be:FDDFK.**), were all living in Constantia, Oswego Co., NY.

Tertiary documentary-evidence in the GSL, SLC, UT, known as the "Archive Record" for Gideon Bentley and his wives Elizabeth ("Priscilla") Neagers (spell?) (Negus--?) with nine children and Isabel Gardner with five children. Secondary sources include (Be.87.):

(1) a. "Exeter," **Vi Rec RI**, 1 (?), Vol. 5; b. **FFH 96**, Bentley Family, #3-32; c. **FFH 478**; d. **1790 HF-NY**; and

(2) a. Bentley Family, **FFH 96** (Titus); b. **1850 CR**; c. **FNY 1**, pt 62, **Oswego Co.**, Pt 2.

Mrs. Alvera Teeples Jones (a descendant of **Be:FB.**, William, Jr.) in 1932-1933 submitted the Gideon Bentley Family Record in conjunction with her ancestor (a g-gf) George Bentley Teeples.

FDDF. Gideon Bentley, b 8.12.1750, Exeter, Washington Co., RI, d 1.20.1858, Constantia, Oswego Co., NY, ae 107 y 5 m 8 d; m **first** 4.5.1781, Exeter, Washington Co., Rhode Island, to Elizabeth (Priscilla?) Neagers (Neagus, Negus?); their nine CH:

FDDFA. (1) Isaac Bentley, b 8.12.1781, Exeter (Washington Co.), RI (Be32.J.).

FDDFB. (2) **Christopher Bentley**, b 7.6.1783, Exeter . . . (Be32.J.).

FDDFC. (3) Thomas Bentley, b 1.13.1785, Exeter . . . (Be32.J.).

FDDFd. (4) Elizabeth Bentley, b 1788, Stephentown (then Albany Co., NY, now Rensselaer Co.), NY, m Caleb Whitford.

FDDFE. (5) Frederick Bentley, b 1789, Stephentown . . .

FDDFf. (6) Sarah Bentley, b 1791, Stephentown . . .

FDDFG. (7) **Gideon Bentley**, b 1793, Stephentown . . . d 1871, m Harriet Wheeler.

FDDFH. (8) **William Bentley**, b 1796, Stephentown . . .

FDDFi. (9) Esther Bentley, b 1798, Stephentown . . .

Gideon Bentley (**Be:FDDF.**) m **secondly** Isabel Gardner, b 1773, Exeter, Washington Co., RI, d 1844, NY; their five CH:

FDDFJ. (10) Clark Bentley, b 6.1.1801, Otisco, Onondaga Co., NY, d 10.28.1867, m 2. 19.1826, Lois Pierce.

FDDFK. (11) Joseph Bentley, b 1802, Otisco . . . m Eliza Fuller.

FDDF1. (12) anon. (Gideon's dtr) Bentley, b/d ca 1804, Otisco . . .

[1]**Ibid.**, p 520.

FDDFM. (13) **David Bentley,** b 1806, Otisco, m Louise Shaw.

FDDFN. (14) Elisha Bentley, b 1809, Otisco, m Lucia Squiers.

The foregoing order of births was one of tentative sequence until further evidence became available. The "further evidence" was called to this searcher's attention in July of 1979 by Gideon's descendant Elsie (Bentley) Russell, who mailed a copy of the DAR application form of Gideon's descendant Edith F. (German) Gage.

Gideon Bentley (Be:FDDF.) was named as Mrs. Gage's ancestor, according to the information sworn on 5.11.1967, Oneonta, NY, in the application form for membership to the Oneonta Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (Washington, DC). The form was completed by widow Mrs. Henry Stoner (Edith Frances German) Gage (**Be:FDDFBCBae.**) of 18 Reynolds Ave., Oneonta, NY (13820), descendant of Gideon's son Christopher. She listed the names and birth dates of Gideon's offspring (13 of 14 named) as follows (Be73.).

The origin of the birth dates recorded in month-day-year appears to have been from more than one source; note that the birth sequence of Gideon's children as reported here is in general agreement with the hypothetical sequence previously known. There are differences in the details. The reader is asked to compare.

Mrs. Gage claimed that all of Gideon's children were born by his "second wife Isabel Gardner" (in disagreement with other sources), but the application, at this point, was "corrected" to read "first wife Elizabeth Negus or Neagers."

Classification		Name	Date of Birth
FDDFA.	(01)	Isaac Bentley	7.07.1782
FDDFB.	(02)	**Christopher Bentley**	**8.04.1783**
FDDFC.	(03)	Thomas Bentley	1.10.1785
FDDFd.	(04)	Betsey Bentley	5.17.1787
FDDFE.	(05)	Fredrick Bentley	2.14.1789
FDDF?.	(06)	Lary (*sic*) Bentley	5.12.1791
FDDFG.	(07)	**Gideon Bentley**	**5.04.1793**
FDDFH.	(08)	**William Bentley**	**11.27.1796**
FDDFi.	(09)	Esther Bentley	5.06.1798
FDDFJ.	(10)	Clark Bentley	6.01.1801
FDDFK.	(11)	Joseph Bentley	11.06.1802
FDDF?.	(00)	----------	---------
FDDFM.	(12)	**David Bentley**	**6.19.1806**
FDDFN.	(13)	Elisha Bentley	10.24.1809

Selected descendants of Gideon Bentley (Sr.) (**Be:FDDF.**) follow.

FDDFA. Isaac Bentley, b 8.12.1781, Exeter (3.34), son of Gideon and Elizabeth (Be32.J.).

FDDFB. Christopher Bentley, b 7.6.1783, Exeter (3:34), son of Gideon and Elizabeth (Be32.J.).

According to the information submitted on her "Lineage" sheet in her application for membership in the DAR (Be73.A.), Mrs. Gage's descent from Gideon Bentley through his son Christopher may be tentatively classified as follows (corrected errors included):

Gideon Bentley (**Be:FDDF.**), "b 8.12.1750, Exeter, RI, d 2. 1857, Constantia, NY" (**d a few days before 1.23.1858**—Be73.B.). His places of residence during the Revolution were Exeter, Newport, and Tivertown, RI; father of:

Christopher Bentley (Be:FDDFB.), b 8.4.1783 (corrected on the application form to read "**July 6, 1783**"), Exeter, RI; d 11.11.1868, Rexford Flats, NY; m "Laney Althaus" (inserted note on application read "not proved"), b 6.7.1786, NY, d 5.28.1869, Rexford Flats, NY.

Christopher Bentley had these four CH (Be73.B.):

FDDFBA. Peter Bentley, b Sept. 7, 1805, Clifton Park Twp, Saratoga Co., NY, d Bergen, NY.

FDDFBb. Elizabeth Bentley, b ----, Clifton Park Twp, Saratoga Co., NY, d Blue Barns Farm, Rexford Flats, NY.

FDDFBC. Ransom Bentley, farmer, b July 11, 1810. See below.

FDDFBD. James R. Bentley, b 1822, d Blue Barns Farm.

Ransom Bentley (BE:FDDFBC.), farmer, b 7.11.1810, Blue Barns Farm, Rexford Flats, Clifton Park Twp, Saratoga Co., NY, d 2.12.1897, Rexford Flats, NY; bur next to first spouse in Hillside Cem, Burnt Hills, Ballston Twp, Saratoga Co., NY; m **first** 1.19.1830, Harriet Cole, Samuel's dtr, b 2.10.1813, Rexford Flats, NY, d 7.19.1866, Rexford Flats, NY. Polly Covey was Ransom's **second** wife.

Ransom and Harriet had these five CH (Ransom's **Bible** transcription-record kept by Mrs. Ralph Beck) (Be73.A.3.):

FDDFBCa. Susan Minerva Bentley, b 3.2.1834, m Adam Martin Scrafford. See below.

FDDFBCB. James Gardner Bentley, b 9.19.1837. See below.

FDDFBCC. John C. Bentley, b 9.30.1839, d 7.10.1842.

FDDFBCD. anon. (inf. son) Bentley, b 4.19.1843, d 7.6.1843.

FDDFBCe. Margaret Elizabeth Bentley, b 10.17.1849, d 2.8.1870.

Susan Minerva Bentley (Be:FDDFBCa.), b 3.2.1834, d 1.12.1898, m "1859, Burnt Hills Baptist" (church), Adam Martin Scrafford, b 2.22.1822, d 9.1904. Their only (?) CH (Be73.A.3.):

FDDFBCaA. Ransom Bentley Scrafford, b 5.30.1861, d 1.17.1937, m 12.11.1883, Maggie E. Reed, b 12.11.1862, d 1.18.1919. Their two CH (Be73.A.3.):

FDDFBCaAA. Martin Earle Reed Scrafford, b 4.23.1885.

FDDFBCaAb. Harriet Elise Bentley Scrafford, b 3.30.1894, "Rexfords," NY, d 2.13.1972, m 11.5.1913, James Ensign Keeler, b 9.10.1892, d 5.31.1972. Their three CH (Be73.A.3.):

FDDFBCaAbA. James Scrafford Keeler, b 7.4.1914, m Dorothy Ruhe.

FDDFBCaAbb. Margaretta Keeler, b 12.31.1915, Little Falls, NY. See below.

FDDFBCaAbc. Elise Keeler, b 2.23.1917, m 6.8.1935, Lloyd E. Tourtellot, b 7.8.1913.

Margaretta Keeler (Be:FDDFBCaAbb.), b 12.31.1915, Little Falls, NY, m 12.14.1935, Ralph Clifford Beck, b 7.8.1913, Hayfield, Dodge Co., MN. Margaretta's res was in Mechanicville, NY. Their five CH (Be73.A.3.):

FDDFBCaAbba. Paulina Elise Beck, b 10.17.1937, Troy, NY.

FDDFBCaAbbB. Ralph Keeler Beck, b 10.16.1939, Troy, NY.

FDDFBCaAbbc. Clifford Owen Beck, b 3.16.1941, Troy, NY.

FDDFBCaAbbd. Margaretta Ellen Beck, b 7.17.1947, Troy, NY.

FDDFBCaAbbE. Merrill Allen Beck, b 4.28.1958, Troy, NY.

James Gardner Bentley (Be:FDDFBCB.), Ransom's son, b 9.19.1837, Blue Barns Farm, Rexford Flats, Saratoga Co., NY, d 2.11.1886, m 9.4.1867, Malissa Jane Arnold, b 11. 20.1846, Rexford Flats, Saratoga Co., NY, d 6.26.1936, Laurens, Otsego Co., NY. Their dtr (Be73.A.) and only CH (Be73.B.):

FDDFBCBa. Margaret Elizabeth Bentley, dtr of James, b 6.26.1870, Rexford Flats, Saratoga Co., NY, d 3.18.1962, Oneonta, Otsego Co., NY, m 6.3.1891, Frederic Ellis German, b 3.9.1866, Ballston Lake, Saratoga Co., NY, d 11.7.1915, South Hartwick, Otsego Co., NY. Their three CH (Be73.B.):

FDDFBCBaa. Marguerite Louise German, b 10.16.1892, m Paul M. Robinson.

FDDFBCBaB. anon.-son German, stillborn ca 1896.

FDDFBCBac. Edith Frances German, Frederic's dtr, b 8.30.1900, Ballston Lake, Town of Clifton Park, Saratoga Co., NY, m 8.12.1943, Elkton, MD (by Rev. R.J. Sturgill), to Henry Stoner Gage, b 9.4.1891 (Be73.A.).

FDDFC. Thomas Bentley, b 1.13.1785, Exeter (3:34), son of Gideon and Elizabeth (Be32.J.).

FDDFd. Elizabeth Bentley

FDDFE. Frederick Bentley

FDDFf. Sarah Bentley

FDDFG. Gideon Bentley, Jr., b 5.4.1793, NY (Be.80.), or b 5.11.1793, NY (Be.90.), where he was reared as the son "of a patriot in the Revolution" (Be.80.). Gideon, Jr., either **d 5.20.1870, Perry Pike Co., IL** (Be.80.), or d 1871, at age 78 y, Baylis, IL (Be.90.). Gideon m Harriet E. Wheeler, b 12.17.1799, MD, d 8.23.1885, Perry, Pike Co., IL (Be.80.); according to another report, Gideon m 1819, NY, Harriet Wheeler, b 12.17.1799, d 1885, at age 86 y, Baylis, Pike Co., IL (Be.90.).

Gideon, Jr., removed to OH, then to Pike Co., IL, where he took a preemption and farmed. Later, he sold out and erected a saw mill, a grist mill, and a carding mill. Later, he sold these properties and went to Perry, IL, where he farmed and remained until his death (Be.80.). Gideon and Harriet lived successively in NY, OH, and IL (Be.90.). According to another report, Gideon Bentley was a millwright, d at age 77 y, Perry, IL; his wife Harriet Wheeler d at age 86 y, "Farmount," IL (Be.94.). Their CH (m rec. for CH probably are in Perry, Pike Co.,IL) (Be.90.):

(a) **Sophronia** (var. sp. of Safrona, Saphrona, Sophorna, Sophrona, Sopronia) **Bentley,** b 3.23.1820;

(B) **Newman Bentley**, b 6.13.1822;

(c) **Harriet E.** (Be.80.) (omitted in Be.94.) ("Esther" in Be.94.—?) **Bentley,** b 9.20.1824;

(D) **Mahlon** (Mahlan, Malhon, Malon) **Bentley,** b 3.30.1827;

(e) **Elizabeth Bentley,** b 12.24.1829;

(F) **William Bentley** (omitted in Be.94.), **b 8.18.1831;**

(g) **Lydia A.** (Be.80.) **Bentley**, b 8.20.1834;

(H) **Oscar** (Osker) **Bentley**, b 9.17.1837;

(I) **Orestus** (Orestes, Orestis) **Bentley**, b 5.15.1840;

(J) **Orren Bentely,** b 5.15.1842; and

(k) **Lodema Bentley,** b 11.9.1845.

FDDFGa. Sophronia Bentley (variously spelled as "Sophronia," Be92.; "Sophorna, Sopronia," Be90.; "Saphrona," Be95.; "Safrona," Be94.; and "Sophrona," Be80.); b 3.23.1820 (Be90.), Perry, Pike Co., IL (Be95.), m John Connor (Be80., Be90., Be91., Be92., Be94., Be95.). Their place of res was Griggsville, Pike Co., IL.

According to a compilation (by an anonymous compiler?) received by this searcher in August of 1979 from Freda Gerard (**Be:FDDFGahEc.**) (Be586.): Freda's great-grandmother Sophronia Bentley, b 3.23.1820, NY, d

10.25.1908; m 7.15.1838, John N. Conner, d 7.5.1890, Pike Co., IL. At the time of her death, Sophronia had five living children, forty-two grandchildren, and fifty-seven great-grandchildren.

One source lists eight **CH** (Be90.), and another lists nine **CH** (Be92.); but, according to a third source (Be586.), Sophronia was supposed to have had "twelve children" — only nine identified ("not in order"). Sophronia and John, then, are believed to have had these **nine CH** (classified in hypothetical sequence):

(**a**) **Louise Connor** (Be92.) (?), Louise or Louiza Connor (Be586.);

(**B**) Francis Conner (Be90., Be92., Be586.);

(**C**) William Bentley (Be91.) (?) Conner, William Conner (Be92.), Wm. F. Conner (Be586.);

(**d**) Mary Conner (Be90., Be92., Be586.);

(**e**) **Harriet Conner** Be90., Be92.), Harriet Ester ("Hattie") Conner — b 12.7.1847 (Be586.);

(**F**) Gideon Conner (Be90)., Be92.), Gideon B. Conner (Be586.);

(**g**) **Alice Conner** (Be90., Be92.), Lydia **Alice** Conner — b 1.11.1854 (Be586.);

(**h**) **Amelia Conner** (Be90., Be92.), Amelia Sophronia Conner — b 6.20.1857 (Be586.); and

(**I**) Edgar Conner (Be90., Be92., Be586.).

Selected DESC of Sophronia and John follow (**Be586.**).

FDDFGaa. Louise ("Louiza") Conner, b ---- (?), m John Bond; CH:

FDDFGaaA. Henry Bond.

FDDFGaab. Elizabeth Ella Bond, b 2.22.1861, east of Perry, Pike Co., IL. Elizabeth had two half-brothers, George and John of OK. Elizabeth m **first** 10.27.1880, Thomas Blake who died a year later; no **CH**. Elizabeth m **secondly** John W. Dorsey, and they had four **CH**:

FDDFGaaba. Fern Dorsey, who m (-----) Straus.

FDDFGaabb. Genevive Dorsey, who m (-----) Brim.

FDDFGaabC. Otis Dorsey.

FDDFGaabD. Dean Dorsey (Be586.).

FDDFGaB. Francis Conner (Be90., Be92., Be586.).

FDDFGaC. William F. Conner (Be586.), William Conner (Be92.), William Bentley (Be91.) (?).

FDDFGad. Mary Conner (Be90., Be92., Be586.).

FDDFGae. Harriet Ester ("Hattie") Conner (Be586.) or Harriet Conner (Be90., Be92.), b 12.7.1847, near Perry, Pike Co., IL; d 7.21.1933. Hattie m Augustus Piper soon after his return from the Civil War. Their three CH:

FDDFGaea. Effie Piper, m (-----) Sargent; res was Griggsville, IL.

FDDFGaeB. Rollo Piper; res was Griggsville, IL.

FDDFGaec. Ella Piper, m (-----) Owens; res was Pittsfield, IL.

FDDFGaF. Gideon B. Conner (Be586.), Gideon Conner (Be90., Be92.); res was Montezuma, IL (Be586.).

FDDFGag. Lydia **Alice** Conner (Be586.) or Alice Conner (Be90., Be92.), b 1.11.1854, d 12.4.1941. Alice m 1874, John Ham; their CH: (**A**) Delbert, (**b**) Edith Goldie, and (**c**) Lola Ham; DESC:

FDDFGagA. Delbert Ham, b 1.22.1877, d 6.28.1954; m 3.19.1903, Minnie May Todd; their six CH:

FDDFGagAa. Marie Ham.

FDDFGagAb. Hazel Ham.

FDDFGagAc. Mary Ham.

FDDFGagAD. Henry Ham.

FDDFGagAe. Marion Ham (?-"Maroon").

FDDFGagAF. James Ham.

FDDFGagb. Edith Goldie Ham, d young.

FDDFGagc. Lola Ham, b 1.25.1888; m **first** (-----) Evans and m **secondly** her cousin Walter Ham.

Lydia **Alice** Conner (**Be:FDDFGag.**) div John Ham and later m **secondly** (-----) Merris; res was Meredosia, Morgan Co., IL.

FDDFGah. Amelia Sophronia Connor, b 6.20.1857, on a farm three miles east of Perry in Pike Co., IL; d 4.29.1936, bur Wilson Cem, Perry, Pike Co., IL. Amelia was m 6.16.1875, Pittsfield, Pike Co., IL, to James R. Gerard, b 2.28.1853, Green Co., OH, d 7.3.1914, Perry, Pike Co., IL. James was the son of Joseph C. and Rachel (Turner) Gerard. Amelia and James were both members of the Church of Peace, Perry. All seven of their CH were b in Pike Co.: (**A**) Gilbert M. Gerard, b 1877; (**B**) Frank Gerard, b 1878; (**c**) Allie Mae Gerard, b 1880; (**d**) Rachel Ann Gerard, b 1883; (**E**) Clyde Gerard, b 1887; (**F**) Charles Carl Gerard, b 1889; and (**g**) Estella Lee Gerard, b 1891. Their DESC follow.

FDDFGahA. Gilbert M. Gerard, a barber in Perry, b 1.12.1876, Pike Co., IL; d 3.13.1933, bur Dorsey Cem, Perry, IL; m 2.22.1901, Sophie Wade Thornberry, dtr of Zachariah Wade, b 2.12.1861, Perry Springs, IL, d 2.11.1938 (?); their only CH:

FDDFGahAA. Everett A. Gerard, a barber in Pittsfield, Pike Co., IL, b 2.22.1902, Pike Co., d 9.6.1967, bur West Cem, Pittsfield, IL. Everett m **first** Luella (-----), whom he later div; res was Blandinsville, IL; their only CH:

FDDFGahAAa. Gretchen Gerard, m (-----) Jacobs; res was Lincoln, IL.

Everett A. Gerard (**Be:FDDFGahAA.**) m **secondly** 5.10.1942, Uldene Edom; res (1979): Pittsfield, IL; no CH.

FDDFGahB. Frank Gerard, Denver Tramway Operator for over 45 years, b 1.3.1878, near Perry, Pike Co., IL; d 11.27.1948, bur Crown Hill Cem, Denver, CO. Frank m 3.16.1904, Lutie Brumage, Daniel's dtr, b 7.28.1885, d 10.23.1960. Frank was a 50-year member and an elder of the Highland Christian Church, Denver. Frank and his wife (anon.) had three CH: (**A**) Elmer, (**b**) Dorthy, and (**c**) Virginia Gerard. Their DESC:

FDDFGahBA. Elmer Gerard, b 9.6.1905, d 8.2.1965. Elmer was m in Kansas City to Ruth (-----) and div; no CH.

FDDFGahBb. Dorthy Gerard, b 5.22.1907, d 2.1.1969, m Russell J. Henderson, b 1.31.1909, d 8.29.1972; both bur in Crown Hill Cem, Denver, CO. They had two CH: (**A**) Marvin and (**b**) Donna Gerard; DESC:

FDDFGahBbA. Marvin Jay Gerard, b 6.4.1930.

FDDFGahBbb. Donna Lee Henderson, b 8.10.1936, m Wayne Hory; their four CH:

FDDFGahBbbA. David Wayne Gerard, b 8.12.1955.

FDDFGahBbbb. Cindy Gerard, b ----.

FDDFGahBbbc. Vicky Ann Gerard, b 12.26.1958.

FDDFGahBbbd. Brian Jay Gerard, b 5.29.1960.

FDDFGahBc. Virginia Ann Gerard, b 7.4.1915, d 4.22.1956, bur in either the Crown Hill Cem or the Avada Cem — Denver, CO. Virginia m **first** Francis DeWan, son of Francis, b 8.5.1914, d 11.10.1951, bur Mount Olivet Cem, Wheat Ridge, CO. Virginia and Frank, a Union Pacific Railroad Engineer, had two CH: (**a**) Marjorie and (**b**) Patricia DeWan.

FDDFGahBca. Marjorie Kay DeWan, b 6.2.1937, m (-----) Smith; their son:

FDDFGahBcaA. Steven Kent Smith, b 9.21.1959.

FDDFGahBcb. Patricia Anne DeWan, b 3.27.1940.

Virginia Ann Gerard (**Be:FDDFGahBc.**), a nurse, m **secondly** 8.8.1952, Lakewood, CO, Benjamin Thomas Russell, a construction worker, son of W. Russell of Dawson Springs, KY. Virginia's third CH:

FDDFGahBcc. Gina Lisa Russell, b 7.7.1954, h.s. student, d suddenly in 4.1971.

FDDFGahc. Allie Mae Gerard, M.E. Church member, b 6.27.1880, Pike Co., IL, d 2.27.1953, Merritt, IL, bur with husband in North Prairie Cem,

Riggston, IL. Allie m 3.4.1901, Pittsfield, Pike Co., IL, Samuel W. Snow, b 6.5.1876, d 7.8.1963, son of Martin Van Buren and Melinda (Phillips) Snow. They had two sons: (**A**) Frank W. and (**B**) Roy Snow; DESC:

FDDFGahcA. Frank W. Snow, b 12.14.1901, Valley City, IL, member of the Calvary Assembly of God Church, Galesburg, IL, was employed by Burlington Northern Railroad for 42 years. Frank m 11.18.1927, Valley City, IL, Wilma Schrodt, b 7.26.1901; their only CH:

FDDFGahcAA. Harold Allen Gerard, b 4.2.1932, m Glady (-----). They adopted one girl and had three CH themselves (hypo. seq.):

1. Helen Gerard, adopted dtr.

FDDFGahcAAa. Ruth Gerard.

FDDFGahcAAB. Bryon Gerard.

FDDFGahcAAC. Brent Gerard.

FDDFGahcB. Roy Snow, b 10.3.1907, m 11.26.1938, Rachel Deeder, b 3.26.1914. Their res (1979): Winchester, IL; their only CH:

FDDFGahcBa. Shelia Ann Snow, b 7.7.1939, m **first** 6.27.1959, Donald Gene Bray, a farmer and son of Timothy. After her div, Shelia became a beauty-shop operator in Winchester, IL. Their only CH:

FDDFGahcBaA. Rodney Bray.

Shelia Ann Snow (**Be:FDDFGahcBa.**) m **secondly** Merle Springer; div; no CH.

FDDFGahd. Rachel Ann Gerard, b 6.15.1883, near Perry, Pike Co., IL; d 7.5.1964 (1968?), Griggsville, Pike Co., IL (bur place). Rachel m 4.9.1908, Floyd Alfred Stauffer, son of W.F., b 4.1.1883, Beverly, Adams Co., IL, d 12.28.1914, Griggsville, IL (bur place). Their two CH: (**a**) Velma and (**b**) Doris Stauffer; DESC:

FDDFGahda. Velma Louise Stauffer, b 7.14.1910, m 8.26.1928, Perry, Pike Co., IL, Elmer (**Tom**) Zimmerman, b 7.31.1907; res (1979): Jacksonville, IL; only CH:

FDDFGahdaA. Lee Grant Zimmerman, b 12.14.1945, m 8.8.1970, Springfield, IL, Carolyn Scharlene Warner, dtr of Ernest Leroy and Frances (Delka) Warner. Lee has a Master's degree for teaching the mentally retarded. Lee's res (1979): Springfield, IL; their three CH:

FDDFGahdaAa. Julie Ann Zimmerman, b 11.1.1973.

FDDFGahdaAB. David Lee Zimmerman, twin, b 3.25.1977.

FDDFGahdaAC. Mark Grant Zimmerman, twin, b 3.25.1977.

FDDFGahdb. Doris Lucile Stauffer, b 11.10.1913, m 8.18.1945, Raymond Tarzwell, Frank's son, b 11.18.1916. Ray has been in the retail business; res (1979): near Jacksonville, IL; no CH.

Rachel Gerard (**Be:FDDFGahd.**), m **secondly** 12.8.1912, Sidney Wade, Wabash Railroad worker and widower with three CH, b 7.31.1878, d 4.19.1963. Sid and Rachel had no CH.

FDDFGahE. Clyde Gerard, b 3.5.1887, Chambersburg, Pike Co., IL, d 4.20.1966, bur Evergreen Memorial Gardens, Kewanee, Henry Co., IL. Clyde farmed near Toulon and Elmira in Henry Co., IL. He m 2.3.1915 Virgia Glady Fleming, b 2.24.1890, Toulon, Stark Co., IL, dtr of David and Laura (Ham) Fleming. Their three CH: (**a**) Bertha, (**b**) Faye, and (**c**) Freda Gerard; DESC:

FDDFGahEa. Bertha Irene Gerard, a nurse, b 12.22.1915, Toulon, IL; m 6.3.1944, Chicago, Cook Co., IL, Gilbert James Fishleigh, b 3.7.1918, son of Walter and Laura (Kolle) Fishleigh. Their only CH:

FDDFGahEaa. Marilyn Anne Fishleigh, b 8.29.1952, Galesburg, Knox Co., IL; m 12.19.1970, Kewanee, Henry Co., IL, to Patrick Arthur Paxton, b 12.27.1951, son of Clarence and Rose Mary (McGraw) Paxton. Their three CH (as of 1978):

FDDFGahEaaa. Angela Marie Paxton, b 6.28.1971.

FDDFGahEaab. Stephanie Irene Paxton, b 11.17.1975.

FDDFGahEaac. Amanada Lynn Paxton, b 4.4.1978.

FDDFGahEb. Laura **Faye** Gerard, b 9.16.1918, Toulon, Stark Co., IL; m 11.21.1938, Burlington, Des Moines Co., IA, to Wester Arlie Naeve, farmer, b 2.5.1912, Ord, Valley Co., NE, son of William A. and Oyce (Ingrham) Naeve. Their res (1979): Bradford, Stark Co., IL; their only CH:

FDDFGahEba. Faye **Aldine** Naeve, b 10.8.1939, Kewanee, Henry Co., IL; m 1.19.1958, Bradford, Stark Co., IL, Eugene Leonard West, farmer, b 2.26. 1931, son of Harry and Elsie (Larson) West. Their four CH: (**a**) Susanna, (**B**) Leonard, (**C**) Ronald, and (**d**) Pam.

FDDFGahEbaa. Susanna Faye West, b 11.2.1961, Kewanee, Henry Co., IL; m 6.10.1978, Bradford, Stark Co., IL, William Crow, b 3.17.1956, son of Raymond and Patricia (Johnson) Crow; res (1979): Leesville, LA.

FDDFGahEbaB. Leonard Arlie West, b 4.14.1964.

FDDFGahEbaC. Ronald Dale West, b 1.3.1966.

FDDFGahEbad. Pamela Ellen West, b 7.12.1967.

FDDFGahEc. Freda May Gerard, b 2.12.1928, Toulon, Stark Co., IL. Freda has been in the retail business (1979). She is the **corresponding cousin** who, in August of 1979, submitted the genealogical information regarding the descendants of Sophronia (Bentley) Conner's dtr Amelia and James Gerard (Be586.). Freda's address (1979): 319 Dwight St., Kewanee, IL 61443.

FDDFGahF. Charles Carl Gerard, b 6.15.1889, Pike Co., IL, d 10.18.1962, Denver, CO. Charles went to Denver in 1909; he was in the retail business.

Charles m 11.25.1914, Leila Nettleton, b 11.2.1897, Canada, d 8.1.1968; no CH.

FDDFGahg. Estella Lee Gerard, b 10.19.1891, Pike Co., IL, d 10.31.1962, bur Wilson Cem, Perry, Pike Co., IL; m 1.31.1912, David Floyd Hannant, b 8.27.1886, west of Perry, Pike Co., IL, son of W. A. and Ada (Triplett) Hannant, d 10.17.1963, Perry, Pike Co., IL. They farmed west of Perry; their three CH: (**A**) Donald, (**b**) Luella, and (**c**) Alberta Hannant; DESC:

FDDFGahgA. Donald Frederick Hannant, b 2.20.1915, west of Perry. Don was the mayor of Griggsville, Pike Co., IL (1979). Don m 6.27.1941, Esther Peters, b 5.13.1917; their five CH: (**A**) Larry, (**b**) Jean, (**C**) David, (**D**) Phillip, and (**E**) William Hannant; DESC:

FDDFGahgAA. Frederick **Larry** Hannant, b 2.27.1942, m 1.27.1962, Kathleen Kay Harris, Ben's dtr; their only CH:

FDDFGahgAAA. Todd Hannant.

Frederick **Larry** Hannant (**Be:FDDFGahgAA.**) and Kathy were div and Larry m **secondly** Cindy (-----); their only son:

FDDFGahgAAB. Theron Hannant.

FDDFGahgAb. Marilyn **Jean** Hannant, b 8.3.1944, m 10.28.1967, VA, Robert P. Phillips; res (1979): Arlington, VA; their three CH:

FDDFGahgAba. Lisa Phillips, b in Iran.

FDDFGahgAbB. Paul Phillips, b in Iran.

FDDFGahgAbC. Jason Phillips

FDDFGahgAC. David Edmund Hannant, b 12.14.1945, m Cheryl (——————).

FDDFGahgAD. Philip Wayne Hannant, b 12.29.1948, m 6.4.1971, Pittsfield, IL, Sandra (Sanada?) Shaw, Gerald's dtr; their only CH:

FDDFGahgADA. Steven Nickulas Hannant.

FDDFGahgAE. William Arthur Hannant, b 10.17.1959, m 6.9.1978, Toni Yonikos.

FDDFGahgb. Beatrice **Luella** Hannant, b 1.11.1917, m 8.22.1952, Arlington, VA, George Allen Reynolds, Husted's son, b 11.26.1910; their three CH:

FDDFGahgbA. Zadoc Reynolds, b/d 3.4.1954.

FDDFGahgbB. Husted Allen (Hugh) Reynolds, b 3.19.1955.

FDDFGahgbc. Jo Hanna Reynolds, b 3.25.1958.

FDDFGahgc. Alberta Elaine Hannant, b/d 4.5.1931.

FDDFGaI. Edgar Conner (Be90., Be92., Be586.).

FDDFGB. Newman Bentley, b 6.13.1822 (Be290.), OH, d ae. 80 y, Fishhook, Pike Co., IL;[1] m (according to Be90., Newman m twice) in IL to "Jane Hall Hoyet," b ----, OH, d ae. 45 y, Perry, Pike Co., IL, dtr of "mr. Hoyt." They resided in Pike Co., IL. Their eight CH (be90.): (**A**) Columbus, (**B**) Christopher, (**c**) Esther, (**d**) Delia(h), (**E**) Robert, (**f**) Elinor (Lena), (**G**) Orren, and (**H**) Harvey Bentley. The details follow (addresses by **Be:FDDFGBB.**).

FDDFGBA. Columbus Bentley, d 12.1926, St. Joseph, Buchanan Co., MO.

FDDFGBB. Christopher Bentley (MLH correspondent of 1927, Be.94.), Newman's son, b 9.21.1850, Perry, Pike Co., IL; occupation: miner; religious office held: Deacon in the Christian Church; m 10.8.1876, Petersburg, Menard Co., IL, Almedia Greene, b 1862, "old Salin, menard" — likely Old Salem (?), Menard Co., IL; dtr of "m. c. Greene" and "Henreitia" (Henrietta?) "Kundif." They resided in Springfield, IL (in 1927 also?). Their eight CH (as named on their father's "Genealogical Record" sheet assumed to have been written by him and sent to MLH in 1927): "Orville, Frank, maud, Chris, Adison, Nelley, Newman, and yuell;" in detail:

FDDFGBBA. Orville Bentley, b 10.1877, "Salsbury" — likely Salisbury, Sangamon Co., IL, m "Daisy Goble."

FDDFGBBB. Frank Bentley, b 6.1879, "Talula" — likely Tallula, Menard Co., IL, m "Katey Drone."

FDDFGBBc. Maud Bentley, b 9.1.----, "Tallula," Menard Co., IL, m "Joe Botson" ("Rotson"?).

FDDFGBBD. "Chris" Bentley, b 1.1.----, m "Norey Weimer."

FDDFGBBE. "Adison" Bentley, b 4.30.----.

FDDFGBBf. "Nelley" Bentley, b 10.--.----, m "Joe studer and to ben Davey" (questionable interpretation of partially illegible penmanship).

FDDFGBBG. Newman Bentley, b 10.188-, Springfield, Sangamon Co., IL, m "Emly" (Evey? Emily?) "Gruemmis" (?).

FDDFGBBH. Yuell Bentley (?)

FDDFGBc. Esther Bentley, d July ----, Kingman, Kingman Co., KS.

FDDFGBd. Deliah (Delia, B.90.) Bentley, d ----, "chabersburg" (?), IL — most likely Chambersburg, Pike Co., IL.

FDDFGBE. Robert T. ("F."?) Bentley

FDDFGBf. Eleanor ("Elinor") J. ("J."?) ("Lena," Be.90.) Bentley

FDDFGBG. Orren (Be.90.) ("Oren N.," Be.94.) Bentley

FDDFGBH. Harvey Bentley, res (1927): Jacksonville, Morgan Co., IL.

[1] "Fishhook" is located in Pike Co., IL, a fact verified by Freda Gerard of Kewanee, IL (1979) (Be586.).

FDDFGc. Harriet Esther Bentley, b 9.20.1824, Perry, Pike Co., IL (Be95.), d before 1927 (Be90.); "Esther" (Be94.); res "Farmount" (Fairmont, IL?), m William Love and had **seven** CH (Be91.); "Esther," b 1829 (?), d 1885, Perry, IL, m William Love, b 1821, d 1889, had **six** CH (Be36.): (1) Orren Love (Be91.), Oren (6-446), New Salem, IL (Be36.); (2) Cornelia Love (Be91.); Cordelia (6-447) (Be36.); (3) Charles Love (Be91.); (4) Marshall Love (Be91.), Marshall (6-451), Clayton, IL)Be36.); (5) Arthur Love (Be91.), Arthur (6-447), Fishhook, IL (Be36.); (6) Harvey Love (Be91.), Harvey (6-450), Baylis, IL (Be36.); and (7) Frank Love (Be91.), Frank (6-449), former res of Tempest, IL (Be36.).

Harriet Esther Bentley (Be:FDDFGc.) is an ancestor of Charles R. Williams, Sr. (**Be:FDDFGcbFI.**) of Jefferson, Oregon (1981). See further on. In January and February of 1981, this Bentley descendant was contacted by mail and phone by Mrs. Charles R. (Helen Martin) Williams, Sr. (previously unidentified) (referred by Elsie Russell), 557 E. Union, P.O. Box 31, Jefferson, OR 97352, who traced her husband's descent from Gideon Bentley, Jr. She also correctly identified each of Gideon's children and named his grandchildren, children of his daughter Harriet Esther (Bentley) Love.

Although unspecified by item, Helen's references include: (1) **Census Records** for Pike Co., IL, 1850, 1860, 1870, and 1880; (2) **Bible** transcription records of Frances **Cornelia** (Love) Williams; (3) **History of Pike County, Illinois** (1880), pages 618 and 619; (4) **Marriage List for 1830-1851**, Pike Co., IL; (5) tombstone photographs; (6) **Log Lists** for Perry Cemeteries; (7) correspondence (1980) with Mrs. Mervin (Gwen) Woods, P.O. Box 65, Perry, IL 62362; (8) correspondence (1980) with Mrs. William (Norma) Slayton, 1312 Tierra Calle, Carrolltown, TX 75006; and (9) the **Mortality Schedule of 1870** for Pike Co., IL.

Helen provided the following information regarding Gideon Bentley Jr., his wife, and their "10 or 11" (?) children.

Gideon Bentley, Jr. (**Be:FDDFG.**), b 5.4.1793, NY, "Woolcarder," member of the Christian Church, d 5.20.1870 (apoplexy), Perry, Pike Co., IL, bur Wilson-McCord Cemetery, Perry; m NY, Harriet E. Wheeler, b 12.20.1799, NY, d 8.23.1885, Perry, bur Perry. Their ten or **eleven** children were (in agreement with previously determined identification and classification):

(**a**). Sophronia Bentley, b 8.23.1820, NY, d 10.25.1908, Griggsville, Pike Co., IL; m 7.15.1838, Perry, Pike Co., IL, John N. Conner, d 7.5.1890.

(**B.**) Newman Bentley, b ca 1821, OH, d 1903, bur Woodland Cem., Fairmount Twp, Baylis, IL, m Jane (-----).

(**c.**) **Harriet Esther Bentley**, b 9.21.1824, **See below.**

(**D.**) Mahlon Bentley, b 3.30.1827, NY, d Griggsville, IL; m 3.5.1848, Pike Co., IL, Julia Eliza Benson.

(e.) Elizabeth J. Bentley (?), b 12.24.1829, NY; m 7.4.1849, Pike Co., IL, E. Alvan Fuller.

(F.) William Bentley, b ca 1832, NY.

(g.) Lydia Ann Bentley, m 8.20.1834, IL; d 1.23.1911, Perry, IL; m Johnson Hulitt, d 1.24.1911.

(H.) Oscar Bentley, b ca 1837, Perry Twp, Pike Co., IL; m Mary (-----).

(I.) Orestes Bentley, b ca 1840, Perry Twp, Pike Co., IL; m Nancy E. (-----).

(J.) Oren Bentley, b ca 1842, Perry Twp, Pike Co., IL; m Bidsey A. Johnson.

(k.) Lodema ("Demia") Bentley, b ca 1844, Perry Twp, Pike Co., IL; d 11.19.1933; m I. Washington Shelley.

Harriet Esther Bentley (Be:FDDFGc.) and her selected descendants were identified as follows by the wife of her great-grandson Charles R. Williams of Jefferson, OR, in 1981. Harriet Esther Bentley, b 9.21.1824, Milcreek Twp, Coschocton Co., OH, member of the First Christian Church, d 9.12.1885, Fairmount Twp, Pike Co., IL, bur Wilson-McCord Cem., Perry, Pike Co., IL; m 3.30.1843, ae. 18 y 6 m 9 d, Pike Co., William Henry Love, farmer, son of Samuel, b 1.15.1821, Trenton, NJ; d 8.12.1899, Fairmount Twp, bur Perry. Their 9 CH:

FDDFGcA. Orin Love, b 1.1.1844, Pike Co., IL; d 12.2.1912, bur Griggsville, Pike Co., IL.

FDDFGcb. Frances Cornelia Love, b 12.7.1845, Barry, Pike Co., IL. **See below.**

FDDFGcc. Ellen Malvina Love, b 12.31.1849, Barry, Pike Co., IL, d 12.11.1856, Pike Co., IL.

FDDFGcD. Charles E. Love, b 9.1.1854, IL

FDDFGcE. William Austin Love, b 4.6.1857, d of scarlet fever, 3.30.1859, Pike Co., IL.

FDDFGcF. James Arthur Love, b 10.30.1859, Barry, Pike Co., IL, d 1947; m Florence (-----), d 1937.

FDDFGcG. Marshall Ervin Love, b 1.12.1862, Pike Co., IL.

FDDFGcH. Harvey Alden Love, b 12.3.1864, IL.

FDDFGcI. Francis (Frank) Love, b ca 1867/8, IL, d 1948, Barry, IL.

Frances Cornelia Love (Be:FDDFGcb.) b 12.7.1845, Barry, Pike Co., IL, member of Church of Christ, d 7.23.1931, DeSoto, Dallas Co., IA. Cornelia was m 7.2.1870, Pike Co., IL, to Joseph Benton Williams, son of Vinson, b 2.15.1850, Decatur, Macon Co., IL, d 11.13.1919, DeSoto, bur Oakdale

Cem. They had these six CH, according to birth and death certificates and Cornelia's **Bible** records.

FDDFGcbA. Leander Vincent Williams, b 11.27.1871, IL; d 3.17.1954, bur Oakdale Cem; m 12.12.1894, Lois Ellen Hutchins.

FDDFGcbB. William Harvey Williams, b 3.5.1873, Cowley Co., KS, d 1943, Denver, CO; m Laura (-----).

FDDFGcbC. Charles Albert Williams, b 2.10.1875, Cowley Co., KS, d 6.26.1919, Glendive, Dawson, MT; m 3.3.1898, Winterset, Madison Co., IA, Prim**rose** Jones.

FDDFGcbd. Harriet Esther Williams, b 5.5.1877, DeSoto, IA, d 8.17.1934, DeSoto, IA; m 4.25.1900, Adel, IA, Martin Roscoe Sutherland.

FDDFGcbe. Lo**retta** Jane Williams, b 12.30.1878, DeSoto, IA, d 6.19.1960, m 10.23.1904, Adel, IA, Vincent Verner Gray.

FDDFGcbF. Lewis Corwin Williams, farmer, Methodist, b 11.1.1881, DeSoto, Dallas Co., IA, d 11.28.1954, Tacoma, Pierce Co., WA, bur Memorial Park, Tacoma; m 6.22.1904, Bismarck, Burleigh Co., ND, Ada Jerusha Couch, b 4.5.1882, Centreville, Alleghany Co., NY; d 12.15.1972, Tacoma (m previously to Lawrence C. Wells, d 1903, ND; one son of same name — Jr.). Their ten CH:

FDDFGcbFA. Gerald Fletcher Williams, b 6.10.1905, DeSoto, IA.

FDDFGcbFb. Cornelia Frances Williams, b 11.16.1907, New Salem, ND.

FDDFGcbFc. Doris Eda Williams, b 1.20.1910, Bismarck, ND

FDDFGcbFD. Merton Forest Williams, b 3.8.1912, Bismarck, ND.

FDDFGcbFe. Jeanette Ada Williams, b 2.25.1913, Bismarck, ND.

FDDFGcbFf. Bertha May Williams, b 5.7.1915, Bismarck, ND.

FDDFGcbFG. Lewis **J**oseph Benton Williams, b 6.9.1917, Bismarck, ND.

FDDFGcbFh. Clara Belle Williams, b 6.9.1917, Bismarck, ND.

FDDFGcbFI. Charles Raymond Williams, b 2.23.1921, Tacoma, WA.

See below.

FDDFGcbFJ. Robert William Williams, b 2.2.1924, Tacoma, WA.

Charles Raymond Williams (**Be:FDDFGcbFI.**), former Marine, Presbyterian, b 2.23.1921, Tacoma, Pierce Co., WA; m 8.30.1942, Oakland, Alameda Co., CA, Helen Myrle Martin, Hillery's dtr, Presbyterian, b 2.5.1924, Long Beach, Los Angeles Co., CA. Their 5 CH: (**A**) Charles, (**b**) Ruth, (**c**) Donna, (**d**) Helene, and (**E**) Martin. Their DESC:

FDDFGcbFIA. Charles Raymond Williams II, b 9.13.1943, Tacoma, WA, salesman and former Marine; m **first** 10.21.1962, Catherine Sterling Campbell; m **secondly** 4.10.1965, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA, Karen Faye Schroeder, b 6.4.1944, Portland, OR (her m 2); 2 CH:

FDDFGcbFIAa. Sherri Elaine Williams, b 8.4.1965, Portland, OR.

FDDFGcbFIAB. Daniel Raymond Williams, b 5.21.1967, Portland, OR.

C. R. Williams II m **thirdly** 11.19.1977, Beaverton, OR, Vicki Diann Davis, b 6.28.1949, Portland, OR.

FDDFGcbFIb. Ruth Ellen Williams, b 9.9.1947, Tacoma, WA; m 6.19.1965, Portland, OR, Steven William Brown, b 8.20.1946, Astoria, OR; 2 CH:

FDDFGcbFIbA. Steven William Brown II, b 1.20.1966, Longview, Cowlitz Co., WA.

FDDFGcbFIbB. Andrew Joel Brown, b 8.13.1969, Longview, WA.

FDDFGcbFIc. Donna Jo Williams, b 11.30.1950, Tacoma, WA; m 11.26.1971, Portland, OR, John Joseph Richardson, b 12.9.1949, Fond du Lac, WI; one CH:

FDDFGcbFIcA. Trevor Martin Richardson, b 4.5.1980, Lebanon, Linn Co., OR.

FDDFGcbFId. Helene Ada-Fran Williams, b 11.4.1956, Portland, Multnomah Co., OR; m 9.29.1973, Payette, Payette Co., ID, David Alan Sweet, U.S. Air Force, son of Robert, b 9.19.1955, Portland, OR; CH:

FDDFGcbFIdA. Brian Travis Sweet, b 11.20.1974, Longview, Cowlitz Co., WA.

FDDFGcbFIE. Martin Lewis Williams, b 4.4.1963, Portland, Multnomah Co., OR.

FDDFGD. Mahlon (Be92.; "Malhon" and "Mohlan," Be90.; "Malon," Be95.) Bentley, b 3.30.1827 (Be90.), Perry, IL; res (1927): "ninlarn" (?) (Be94.); m 1848, Julia A. E. Benson (Be91.) ("Julia Benson," Be94.); "11" CH (**not** named, but eleven were claimed, Be91.). Their four named and one anonymous CH: (1) Emanuel Bentley, (2) Emma Bentley, (3) Henry Bentley, (4) Newman (Mahlon's son) Bentley, and (5) (anon. daughter of Mahlon) Bentley, m a Mr. Smith.[1]

FDDFGe. Elizabeth Bentley, b 12.24.1829 (Be90.), Perry, IL (Be95.); b (illegible date, but probably 1829) (Be36; Titus 5-271).

FDDFGF. William Bentley (Be.90., 91., 92., 93., 95.), b 8.18.1831, Cleveland, OH (or b 1831, Perry, IL) (?), d 6.12.1910, ae 78 y, Havensville, KS; occupation: farmer, no military service; m 3.15.1856, Ottumwa, IA, Malinda Caroline Shaul, b 12.1.1835, Hamilton Co., IN; d 9.4.1919, ae 84 y, Salina, KS. She was the dtr of Ammon Shaul and Sarah C. George (Be.90.). They resided successively in Ottumwa, Wapello Co., IA; Westmoreland,

[1]**Be99.** Mrs. T. B. Smith, Jacksonville, IL, ca 1903-05, in her correspondence with Mrs. J. H. Lobdell, wrote: "My father's name was **Mahlon Bentley**, son of Gideon Bentley." Ref: Lobdell, J. H. **Bentley Gleanings**, p. 30. Mrs. Smith's first name is unknown to this searcher; she may be tentatively classified as **Be:FDDFGD?.**

Pottawatomie Co., KS; and Havensville, Pottawatomie Co., KS. Their six CH: (A) Frank H., (B) **William H.**, (C) Orestes L., (D) Charles C., (e) Harriet A., and (F) Albert I. Bentley. Their selected DESC:

FDDFGFA. Frank Harold Bentley, b 9.9.1858, Ottumwa, IA. He was a minister in Lawrence, Douglas Co., KS (Be.92.); res (1927): Hope, KS; m Addie Underwood.

FDDFGFB. William **Harvey** Bentley, **1927 MLH correspondent, b 10.20.1860, Ottumwa, IA**, d (place and date, unknown); former City Treasurer, Coronado, CA; retired ostrich-farmer who had been in business for many years, res (1927): 4560 N Ave., San Diego, CA. In 1927, he wrote (Be90.):

> **Dr. F. H. Titus and I worked on Geneaology (*sic*) some thirty years ago, but he died and left the manuscript to his Daughter; she was in school in the east and was to finish them when through, but I have never heard from her.**[1] My Great Grandfather was a Spy for George Washington during the Revolutionary War. My Great Grandfather Gideon was the son of Benjamin, and he the son of Thomas, son of William, and he son of Thomas,[2] he son of Thomas, and he son of James Bentley . . . **etc., etc.** (to 1164 A.D.) (Be34.C.).

While visiting his brother Jim Stewart and family, who were vacationing in a rented condominium on Glorietta Bay, Coronado, CA, in August of 1977, this searcher wrote down the names of all the Bentleys listed in the **San Diego Telephone Directory** with the hope that he might luckily contact a known descendant of Gideon Bentley, the Revolutionary War Patriot Soldier.

Mr. W. H. Bentley, Sr. (**Be:FDDDFGFB.**), the ostrich-farmer and former Coronado City Treasurer, had furnished genealogical information that appeared in three key Bentl(e)y sources of secondary documentary evidence. In the first source, **Bentley Gleanings**, 1905, compiled by Julia Harrison Lobdell ca 1903 (Be91.), there appears the name of W.H.B., Sr.'s eldest son, b 1897. In the second source, the microfilm copy noted as "FFH 96" (GS Lib. in SLC, UT) of the "Bentley Family" typewritten manuscript entitled "Descendants of William Bentley of Rhode Island" compiled by Dr. F.H. Titus (Be36., Be92.), W.H.B., Sr.'s first and second sons are named as b 1897 and 1904. Research by Titus may have extended from a date previous to 1897 to ca 1906/7. In the third source, the "Bentley Safe Manuscript No. 27" (NEHGS Lib. in Boston, MA), W.H.B., Sr.'s correspondence of 1927 to Mary Lovering Holman and to Harry C. Bentley of Boston (Be90.) reposes with the names of all three of his sons accompanied by the birth dates of 1897, 1904, and 1909 (Be34.C.).

When this searcher returned to his home in Long Beach from Coronado to resume his work in compiling the Bentley genealogy, the decision was made

[1] A microfilm copy (illegible in parts) of the typewritten manuscript by Dr. Titus can be seen in the GS Library, Salt Lake City, UT. The film has been known as "FFH 96" (Bentley Family) (Be36.).

[2] **No** documentary evidence for Thomas as father of William (etc.).

to telephone one of the two persons named "David A. Bentley" in the directory listing. On August 21, 1977, the connection was made and distant cousins became acquainted. Not until about one year later on August 12, 1978, the anniversary of David A. Bentley's Revolutionary War Patriot ancestor Gideon Bentley's birthday, did the two distant cousins meet and shake hands.The handshake had historical significance because this was the first occasion that proven descendants of Revolutionary War brothers Gideon Bentley, the Patriot, and Samuel Bentley, the Loyalist, have been known to exchange greetings.

William H. Bentley (Harvey) wrote (1927): ". . .write to my brother C. C. Bentley, 210 E. Fifth St., Long Beach, California, for he may be able to give you more information than I have."[1] However, no further information appears to have been obtained by the Bostonian searchers from C.C.B. (Be34.C.). Harvey, the name by which he was known, "settled in San Diego in the 1880's (and) once operated a group of ostrich farms extending from here (San Diego) to Sacramento. One adjoined the old Mission Cliff Gardens, an early day outing site at the north end of Park Boulevard" (Be88.).

William Harvey Bentley (Be:FDDFGFB.) married[2] 6.11.1895, Clarinda, IA, Rosena Stuart, b 12.1.1866, Clarinda, IA, dtr of David Paddock Stuart and wife Elizabeth Alexander. Their 3 CH: (A) William H., (B) Gilbert S., and (C) **David A. Bentley**; DESC:

FDDFGFBA. William Harvey Bentley, Jr., **b 6.18.1897**, Coronado, CA; res (1927): Pasadena, CA (Be90., Be92., Be91.). He d 1944, in either Glendale or Pasadena, CA; m and div Addie Mae Bilkey; no CH (Be93.).

FDDFGFBB. Gilbert Stuart Bentley, **b 8.1.1904**, Coronado, CA; res (1927): San Diego, CA (Be90., Be92.). Gilbert d single in 1938, Long Beach, CA (Be93.).

FDDFGFBC. David Alexander Bentley, b San Diego, CA, "the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William H. Bentley" (Be88.); **b 4.17.1909**, San Diego, CA, res (1927): San Diego, CA (Be90., Be93.). David d 2.5.1969, San Diego, CA (Be88.). He was an industrial engineer with Ryan Aeronautical Co. from 8.1941, to 12.1967 (retired 1967) (Be93.). "He was a member of the Ryan Management Club, the Old Timers Club, La Ceterie Dance Club and Kappa Alpha Pi fraternity" (Be88.). David m Frances Katherine Moore, b 12.18.1908, Passaic, NJ, d 8.25.1975, San Diego (Be93.); res (1969): 4966 Campanile Dr., San Diego, CA. Their "**son, David H. of San Diego**" (Be88.):

[1]This searcher was amazed to learn in 1977 that 210 E. Fifth St. in Long Beach, the apt. res. of C.C. Bentley 50 years before, was located precisely where this searcher was in the habit of parking his car each time that he drove to downtown Long Beach for xerox service of his mss.

[2]The unidentified name "W.H. Bentley" of San Diego appeared in **The San Diego Union,** dated 1.18.1890, 1.30.1891, and 5.5.1891, the first for a divorce of C. J. Bentley from W.H. Bentley (m 1.1.1883) granted 1.17.1890; the second and third for divorce proceedings between Dora Watkins and W.H. Bentley, div granted 5.5.1891. **No** relationship has been shown between either or both of these W.H. Bentley(s) and our subject William **Harvey** Bentley.

FDDFGFBCA. David Alexander Bentley II (Be93.), b 3.10.1945, San Diego, CA; Beneficial Finance Co. employee (1977, 1978); m 12.28.1966, Riverside, CA, Carol Curtis, b 2.28.1945, Riverside, CA; employed by local assemblyman; res (1977): 6050 Henderson Drive, La Mesa, CA. Photographs of David's grandparents, father, mother, and his father's two brothers have been shown to this searcher. On 8.12.78, this searcher celebrated the 228th birthday anniversary of David's 3rd-ggf Gideon Bentley with David and his charming wife Carol at their residence in La Mesa. This searcher presented David with a "Happy Birthday" cake inscribed with the message "Gideon b 8.12.1750." He also presented him with a copy of a photograph of Gideon taken 123 years earlier on Gideon's 105th birthday, 8.12.1855, Constantia, Oswego, NY (located on the N shore of Oneida Lake). David had not seen the

Cameron R. Stewart, **Be:FDDDABecEA.,** descendant of Samuel Bentley, **Be:FDDD.,** presented a birthday cake and a photograph of Gideon Bentley, **Be:FDDF.,** to Gideon's descendant David Alexander Bentley II, **Be:FDDFGFBCA.,** to celebrate the 228th Anniversary of Gideon's Birthday on August 12, 1978, in La Mesa, CA. Gideon lived to celebrate his 107th Birthday in Constantia, NY. The brothers Samuel and Gideon had chosen opposing sides during the American Revolutionary War. Their mutual ancestor, Sarah (Shippee) Bentl(e)y, the brothers' mother, passed away in the winter of 1760/61, Exeter, RI, while sick with smallpox. David's grandfather had corresponded with Lobdell, Titus, and Holman, regarding the Bentley Family Group.

photograph of his ancestor until this occasion. In fact, David had **no** previous knowledge that Gideon was his ancestor.

FDDFGFC. Orestes Lafayette Bentley (Be.95.), **1927 MLH correspondent**, b 12.23.1862, Ottumwa, IA, occupation: farmer and merchant. He had lived in Havensville, KS (Be.92.); his res (1927): Los Angeles, CA (1237 Rosemead Ave.) (Be.95.). Orestes m 8.23.1888, Long Valley, ID, Caroline (Carrie) Atkin, b 12.27.1868, Canada, d before 1927, dtr of William Atkin; their dtr:

FDDFGFCa. Irene A. Bentley, b 6.20.1889, Westmoreland, KS, res (1927): 1237 Rosemead Ave., Los Angeles, CA; m Harry W. Newland.

FDDFGFD. Charles Cecil Bentley, b March 1868, Ottumwa, IA, res (1927): 210 E. Fifth St., Long Beach, CA; m Kittie ("Robison") Robinson (Be.92., Be.95.), b 1869, dtr of James H. and Margaret (Be36.); had lived in Ocean Park, CA, as a minister (Be.92.). In 1904, they adopted twins (Be36.):
1. Paul Percival Bentley, b 1902 (Be36., Titus — 6-1029 and 6-455).
2. Harold Irvin Bentley, b 1902.

FDDFGFe. Harriet (Hattie) Alice Bentley, b 3.1873 (Be.90.) or b 4.1872 (Be.95.), Ottumwa, IA; had lived in Westmoreland, KS (Be.92.); m Roy C. Witter, res (1927): Jacksonville, OR (Be.95.).

FDDFGFF. Albert (Bert) Irvin Bentley, b 8.26 (28-?). 1877, Westmoreland, KS; res (1927): Waukarusa ("Wakrusa"), KS. He m **first** Janet (Jennie) A. Allen, who d (before 1927); he m **secondly** Edith Russell (Be.90.). According to Titus, Albert was an Evangelistic singer in Havensville, KS (Be.92.).

FDDFGg. Lydia A. Bentley, b 8.20.1834 (Be.90.), Perry, IL (Be.95.), lived in Perry, IL ("lida") (Be.94.); d 1911, Perry, IL (Be.95.); m "Johnson Hulit" (Be.90.), "Johnson Hulet" (Be.95.), "J. Hulett" (Be.91.), "Jonathan Hewett" (Be.92.), "Hulit" (Be.90.). Their six CH (Be.90.):

FDDFGgA. Leonard (Be.92.) ("lenard," Be.90.) Hulett (Be.91.):

FDDFGgb. Ettie (Be.90.) (Nettie," Be.92.), Hulett, m Nathan Smith (Be.92.).

FDDFGgc. Nellie (Be.90., Be.92.) Hulett, m _____ Drake (Be.92.).

FDDFGgd. Essie (Be.90., Be.92.) Hulett, m _____ Harvey (Be.92.).

FDDFGge. Gertrude (Be.92.) ("Girtrud," Be.90.) Hulett.

FDDFGgF. Frank (Be.90., Be.92.) Hulett.

FDDFGH. Oscar ("Osker") Bentley, b 9.17.1837 (Be.90.), Perry, IL (Be.95.), lived in San Diego ("Santiago," Be.94.), d 1911, San Diego, CA (Be.95.); m May Lytle (?) (Be.91.), m "marey tunbul" (Be.94.); Oscar's three CH (Be.90.):

FDDFGHA. William (Oscar's son) Bentley

FDDFGHB. James Bentley

FDDFGFc. "Adda" Bentley

FDDFGI. Orestes (Be.90, 91.) ("Orestus," Be.95.) Bentley, b 5.15.1840 (Be.90.), Perry, IL (Be.95.), m "Nancey Grigrey" (Nancy Gregory?) (Be.94.); their six CH (Be.90.):

FDDFGIa. Fannie Bentley

FDDFGIB. Ulysses ("Ulissis") Bentley

FDDFGIC. Rolon or Roland Bentley

FDDFGId. Annie Bentley

FDDFGJ. Orren Bentley (**Be.80.**; also Be.90., Be.91., Be.94., Be.95.), farmer and stockman, res (1903): seven miles west of Tolo, ID; b 5.15.1842, Pike County (Perry), IL, "the son of Gideon and Harriet E. (Wheeler) Bentley." The father was born May 4, 1793, in New York, where he was reared. His father (Orren's gf) was a patriot in the Revolution. Orren was reared and educated in Pike County, IL, and when fourteen went out to work. On 8.3.1861, Orren enlisted in Company C, Twenty-seventh Illinois Volunteer Infantry, under Captain L. French Williams, fought all through the war and was honorably discharged on 9.14.1864. He had been in the army of the Cumberland and participated in the battles of Belmont, Union City, Island No. Ten, Corinth, Chickamauga, Mission, Rocky Face, Resaca, Atlanta, and many others besides skirmishes. After the war he went to the Cherokee Strip (which became a part of KS) and returned on horseback. Then he worked out and later rented land in Illinois until the fall of 1879, when he went to Pottawatomie County, KS, and settled on school land, where he remained until 4.12.1885, when he landed on Camas Prairie. He took land, spent two years in the mountains and then settled to farming. He devoted himself to general farming and stock raising and became prosperous. He was a member of the G.A.R. and the Christian Church.

He and his brothers and sisters (in b seq.) (Be.80.): (a) Sophrona Bentley Conner; (B) Newman Bentley; (c) Harriet E. Bentley Love, deceased (before 1903); (D) Mahlon Bentley; (e) Elizabeth Bentley; (F) William Bentley; (g) Lydia A. Bentley Hulett; (H) Oscar Bentley; (I) Orestus Bentley; (J) Orren Bentley, himself; and (k) Lodema Bentley Shelly. When and where Orren Bentley died and was buried are facts unknown to this searcher.

Orren Bentley (**Be:FDDFGJ.**) m 9.12.1867, Bidsey A. Johnson, b 4.13.1850, Pike Co., IL, one of seven CH of Jackson Johnson, b 11.14.1825, VA, d 6.15.1885, Civil War Veteran of Co. F, 99th Illinois Volunteer Infantry, and Amanda Bond, b 1.22.1829, Shelby Co., TN, lived in IL, res (1903): Whitebird, Idaho Co., ID.

Orren and Bidsey had these eleven CH (Be.80.):

FDDFGJa. Viola Bentley, b 4.12.1869, m (----) Sidden.

FDDFGJb. Violetta Bentley, b 3.23.1870, d 10.4.1886.

FDDFGJC. Francis H. Bentley, b 10.6.1872.

FDDFGJd. Lelia Bentley, b 5.15.1874, m (----) Inghram (Ingrahm?).

FDDFGJe. Lizzie Bentley, b 2.28.1878, m (----) Brady.

FDDFGJF. John A. Bentley, b 4.6.1880.

FDDFGJG. Ray Bentley, b 5.10.1882, d 9.27.1883.

FDDFGJH. Ernest O. Bentley, b 8.13.1884.

FDDFGJI. Harley R. Bentley, b 9.30.18--, d 1.15.1891.

FDDFGJJ. Austin Bentley, b 9.24.1889, d 2.5.1891.

FDDFGJk. Minnie Bentley, b 5.19.1892.

FDDFGk. Lodema Bentley, b 11.9.1845 (Be90.), Perry, IL (Be95.). Did she, in 1927, live in Barry, IL (Be95.)? Lodema m **first** George Washington Shelly (Be91.) ("G.W. Shelley," Be90.) ("Wash. Shelley," Be95.) ("Wash. Shulery," Be94.) and m **secondly** "William Lord" (Love?) (?) (Be91.). Did Lodema have five CH (Be91.)? — unidentified? Lodema had these three CH (Be90.) by G. W. Shelly:

FDDFGkA. Frank Shelly.

FDDFGkB. Charlie Shelly.

FDDFGkC. William Shelly.

FDDFH. William Bentley, b 1796, Stephentown, NY (Be87.); b 11.27.1796 (Be73.); b ca 1796, NY (Be86. — CR 1850, Perry Twp, Pike Co., IL).

William Bentley (**Be:FDDFH.**), son of Gideon and Elizabeth ("Neagurs") Bentley, b Nov. 27, 1796, Saratoga Co., NY, m **Jane McDowell, b April 15, 1802, Baltimore, MD**, dtr of Hamilton and Jane (----) McDowell (Be574., Be573., Be572.). **According to William's grandson Charles (George's son)**, William d 1882 and Jane (----), afflicted with facial cancer, came to live with her son George (Be572., Be573.). According to baptismal records for Saint Paul's Episcopal Church, Baltimore, MD, (1) McDowell, Arabella, dtr of Hamilton and Jane, was Christened **on 3.30.1805**; (2) **McDowell, Jane, dtr of Hamilton and Jane, was Christened on 3.30.1805**; (3) McDowell, Sarah, dtr of Hamilton and **Sarah**, was Christened on 6.22.1801. No other baptisms or Christenings for children of Hamilton McDowell are recorded in this church on this record (Be570.).

The following extracts are mainly from the notes taken by this searcher during a telephone conversation with **Mrs. Cruze (Annabelle Bentley) Clevenger** of 1625 N. 27th St., Lawton, OK (73505), July 15, 1979. Her father Alva is a brother of Charles William Bentley, father of **Mrs. Elsie (Bentley) Russell** (the intermediate contact) of Sacramento, CA.

The ladies successfully tried to prove incontrovertibly their ancestor William Bentley, b ca 1796, NY (Pike Co., IL, Census Report of 1850), is the

same person as William Bentley (**Be:FDDFH.**), Gideon's son, **b 11.27.1796**, Stephentown, NY. This precise birth date and also those of each of the other children of Gideon Bentley, Sr., the Rev. War Patriot, appeared in an application for membership in the DAR; the application was completed a number of years ago by Mrs. Edith Frances (German) Gage (**Be:FDDFBCBac.**) (see p. 1496 and Be73.), descendant of William's brother Christopher. Elsie and Annabelle also became members of the Society of the DAR (Nat'l nos. C652424 and C646675, respectively).

Mrs. Clevenger (**Be:FDDFHDC?.**) knew that her ancestor William Bentley was married to a Jane (----), **b. 4.15.1802**, who was of **Baltimore, MD**. She knew they were the parents of her grandfather George W. Bentley. Another descendant of William Bentley, his son Frank's ("Frederick" in 1850 CR) (?) descendant Mrs. Twyla (Sparks) Hedges (**Be:FDDFHFda.**) (deceased) knew that William's wife's maiden surname was "Jane McDowell" (orig. source?). This information was verified by Elsie on 7.16.1979 (tel. conv.).

According to a print-out obtained by Annabelle, of Baptismal records for St. Paul's Episcopal Church, **Baltimore City, MD**, which she located in the Maryland Historical Society Library, a "Jane McDowell," dtr of Hamilton and Sarah (----) McDowell, **b 4.15.1802**, was Christened March 30, 1805. This data was earlier obtained from a GSL secondary-source in Salt Lake City by Elsie (Bentley) Russell (**Be:FDDFHDEa.**).

Mrs. Clevenger pointed out the census reports naming William Bentley, her ancestor: (1) 1830, Licking Co., OH; (2) 1840, Greenvield Center, Hancock Co., IN; (3) **1850, Perry, Pike Co., IL**: William Bentley, age 54 y (*i.e.*, b *ca* **1796**), b **NY**, teamster; his wife Jane, 48 y (*i.e.*, b *ca* **1802**), b **MD**; and his CH, William H. Bentley, cooper, 19 y (b *ca* **1831**, *i.e.*), b OH; Mary Bentley, 16 y (b *ca* **1834**, *i.e.*), b OH; Charles Bentley, 14 y (b *ca* **1836**, *i.e.*), b IN; George Bentley, 12 y (b *ca* **1838**, *i.e.*), b IN; Edward, 10 y (b *ca* **1840**, *i.e.*), b IN; and Frederick G. Bentley (later known as "Frank"), 7 y (b *ca* **1843**, *i.e.*), b MO; and (4) 1860, Sullivan Co., MO (William and Jane with son Edward). Mrs. Russell verified this data on 7.16.1979.

According to Charles W. Bentley, Elsie's father, William's spouse Jane d in 1892. Her remains were laid to rest in the Fairview Cem, Joplin, MO, 8.16.1892.

Then, on 8.30.1979, Elsie (Bentley) Russell received the incontrovertible evidence **that her great-grandfather William was born 11.27.1796** — the death record from Apanoose Co., IA. "William Bently" had d 3.3.1882 *ae* 86y 3m 6d which by subtraction yields the birth date of **11.27.1796**!!! William was born in NY state and had resided in IA 10 y. He was a sadler. He had d in Pleasant Twp, Apanoose Co., IA, his res, but his remains were bur in Mendota, MO, 3.4.1882 (Be567.).

William Bentley, Elsie's ggf, is a brother, then, of Christopher, Mrs. Gage's gggf, and of Gideon (jr.). Hopefully, the primary source of the brothers' birth dates (m-d-y) from which Mrs. Edith F. German Gage gleaned them will be identified (**Bible** inscription-record in whose possession?). Interesting to note that Gideon (Jr.) also moved from NY to OH and then to **Pike Co., IL**, where he d 5.20.1870 (or Baylis, IL, 1871?).

Copy of a 4-page handwritten account (*verbatim*) by Charles W. Bentley (**Be:FDDFHDE.**) (Be572.), grandson of William Bentley, was received in July of 1979. Correspondence with this enclosure was from Elsie (Bentley) Russell of Sacramento (**Be:FDDFHDEa.**), a daughter of Charles.

RECORD WRITTEN 1957 (WITHOUT SIGNATURE)

My Grandmother was Born April 15th 1802 In Baltimore Mairland died Aug 8th 1892. Grand mother died of cancer on her face. She Allways wanted Charley to read from famly **Bibel**. She was Bedfast I read Plain and Loud All Loved her Grandmother lived in my father home on Schoal Creek Newton County Mosouri She traveled when She was young (insert of "from 1882 to 1892") that was a time when travel was Slow. She made A trip to England Scotland And Ireland Grandmother had English Scotish And Ireish blood

My father was Born in Ohio ("Ohio" crossed out and "Indiana" written above) Dec 19th 1839 when A young man moved to Hhanibel Mosouri Maired Mary Slack ("1863" written below "Slack") At Calhoun Mosouri. from that union Isibell And Jon ("son" or "Jon") (**?**) whear Born Mary Slack Bentley died. father maired first wife Sister ("Sally A Slack" inserted above) from that Union two Sons And two Daughters Alva Born November 24th 1870 — Grace Born Dec 18th 1872 **Charles w Born Dec 10th 1874** Pearl Bentley Born Feb 1st 1878 — ("Oct" crossed out and "Age 6 years" inserted above) died October 7th 1884

Page 2: My Mother was A Sister of Mary Slack Bentley Mother was born in Calhoun Henry County Mosouri 1841 died 1880 I have my Mother Photo Graph had Artist to make a new frame to replace original frame destroyed this Photo Graph with frame was taken 1869 father was a Solger in Civil war Union Army Joined the Mosouri Volinters Regment Was Discharged At Nashvill Tennasee March 1865. I was given Photo, taken Off of Record of Solger in Civil war father was Given Honerbell dis Charge I received Papers Regarding Fathers Military Service in Civil war After I Sent A number of letters of Inquirey Concerning his military Service To the war Department of the Civil war Records. **William Bentley my Grand Father Died in New York 1882 it was At that time Grand Mother Came to live with her Son, George w Bentley my father** All of

Children was Glad Our love for Grand Mother Never Deminished for She was Our Grand Mother —

Page 3: Grand Mother had fore Sons William Bentley Frank Edward And George w Bentley my Father Caired for his mother for teen years untill her death I Am Sure God has Rewarded father he was A man that would not Ask his Brothers to help in takeing Cair of this mother He would not of Excepted Any help if it had been Offered — Brothers Frank was A Miner William A Court Juge Edward A Building Contracter George W. Bentley my father A Good farmer that rased big fealds on river Soil with lots of Interge lots of hard work Thear was one Daughter Mary Bentley Sister of my Father. Born April 25th 1845 Died Dec 9th 1868 Age 23 years What would hapen to Grand Mother to day? In this hurry up Age: they cant Please them selves they have A different Pholosafee of Life they Ar in A hury to Get to thear Grave

Page 4: Father third wife.maired Rebecca nee Johnson — October 7nt 1883 At Carthage Mosouri Rebecca was A wonderfull wife to my Father would of been Imposibel to of had A better Step Mother. Father Choosed A wonderfull wife in each of his marrages but had Lots of Sorrow. Rebecca died of Cancer January 20th 1900 My Father died May 25th 1907 — Pearl Bentley my Sister laid to rest beside her Mother. All was laid to rest in the lot bought many years in the Pst by my Father in the Fairvue Cemetry in Joplin Mosouri I Give you this Reccord that You And Your Children may learn And know of your Father And His Famly from My Grand Mother Life And her famly Grand Mother was liveing At A time when Tomas Jefferson was President I have A feeling of Proudnes

Children born to William and Jane (McDowell) Bentley were (Be574.):[1] (**A**) **William H., b 1831**; (**b**) Mary, b 1834; (**C**) Charles, b 1836; (**D**) **George, b 1839**; (**E**) Edward, b 1840 (?); and (**F**) **Frank Bentley, b 1844**.

FDDFHA. William H. Bentley, b 3.24.1831, Newark, Licking Co., OH; d 6.18.1914 (never m) (Be574.). According to his obituary in the **Baker Herald**, Baker, OR, dated 6.19.1914, W. H. Bentley, a pioneer of Baker, d "yesterday" at the I.O.O.F. home, Portland, OR, of cancer. "He never married and his only known relative is a niece in Centralia, Washington. . ." (Be575.A.).

A notice from the mortuary in Baker, OR, read that W.H. Bentley d at the I.O.O.F. home in Portland, 6.18.1914, ae. 83 y 2 m 24 d, b 3.24.1831 (Be575.B.).

He was listed as a Notary Public in 1905 (Be575.C.).

[1]Rechecking of the 1850 CR for Perry, Pike Co., IL, p 111/56, no. 57/466: William Bentley, 54 y, teamster, $300, b NY; his wife Jane, 48 y, b MD; CH: William H., 19 y, cooper, b OH; Mary, 16 y, b OH; Charles, 14 y, b IN; George, 12 y, b IN; Edward, 10 y, b IN; and Frederick G. Bentley, 7 y, b MO.

Also, p 882/45, no. 308/312: Abraham V. Bentley, 42 y, miller, b NY. . . William Bentley, 19 y, cooper (named in the two households, same person?).

According to the 1908-09 Baker City Directory, W.H. Bentley resided at 1105 Place St., where a James Bentley also resided (Be575.D.).

W. H. Bentley is described in the 1880 CR for Baker, OR, as white, male, age 49, single, carpenter, b OH, father b NY, and mother b MD.

This searcher received xerox copies of the two-page article on W. H. Bentley printed in the out-of-print compendium entitled **History of Baker, Grant, Malheur, and Harney Counties** (in Oregon), from W.H. Bentley's grandniece Elsie (Bentley) Russell of Sacramento, CA, in July of 1979. Extracts follow (Be576.).

> W. H. Bentley. . . the estimable gentleman and well known pioneer and leading business man. . . was born in Licking County, Ohio, on March 24, 1831, and while still a child was removed to Richmond, Indiana, with the other members of the family, later to Greenfield, the same state, and then to Putnam County, Missouri, and finally, in 1846, they came to Iowa, where our subject attended school in a log house and acquired the discipline of birch and literary research there to be obtained.
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> In 1849, he removed to Illinois, and in 1852 turned toward the occident and threaded the dreary and dangerous plains with ox-teams for four months and ten days until he reached the land 'where rolls the Oregon' and selected a home on one of its tributaries in Yam Hill County, there occupying himself in carpentering and operating a saw mill. After some time he was attracted to Florence, Idaho, and spent one summer in searching for the hidden treasure of that region; he also went to Boise basin, where he continued the search for a brief period. After this he repaired to Umatilla for the winter and the following spring was engaged as superintendent on the Indian reservation, his duties being to instruct the aborigines in the art of agriculture.
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> It was as early as 1865 that he made a permanent settlement in Baker County, although he had frequently been in its territory previous to that date. At that time he bought state land and occupied himself in its culture and in teaming for a short time, when he again turned to mining in Burnt Basin, near the Express Ranch. In 1868, he came to this valley and followed farming and carpentering until 1886, when he removed into Baker City, there also prosecuting his handicraft for a time and then was elected justice of the peace, discharging the duties of that office with such ability and faithfulness for four years that he was called by the people to accept the position of police judge, auditor and clerk for the municipality of Baker City, and in the fulfillment of the functions of this incumbency we find him. . . re-elected to the same office on November 4, 1901.
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> His life has been one constant expression of the faithful performance of duty that devolved upon him and the faithfulness and integrity thus manifested have won for him the entire confidence of the

people, while he is also held in marked esteem and distinction by all who have the pleasure of his acquaintance. In fraternal affiliations, the judge is with the I.O.O.F., and the Red Men, being a popular associate in both orders, as well as generally throughout the county.

FDDFHb. Mary Bentley, b 1834, OH, d 12.9.1868, Sullivan Co., MO, m 5.29.1860, Melellus Welch (Be574.).

FDDFHC. Charles Bentley, b 1836, IN (Be574.).

FDDFHD. George (George William) Bentley, b 12.19.1839, Green Co., IN, m **first** Mary Slack and m **secondly** Sarah (Sally) Slack (Be574.). George William Bentley, b 12.19.1839, Green Co., IN, d 5.25.1907, Joplin, Jasper Co., MO, bur Fairview Cem., Joplin; m **first** 12.19.1861, Mary E. Slack (Be582.), and they had two CH; m **secondly** 12.25.1869, Linn Co., MO, Sarah (Sally) A. Slack (Be583.), Mary Slack's **cousin**, dtr of John M. and Elizabeth (Pipes) Slack, and they had 4 CH. George m **thirdly** Rebecca Johnson; he m **fourthly** Florence Eldridge (Be573., Be578.).

According to the obituary in the **Joplin Globe**, 5.27.1907, G.W. Bentl(e)y, aged 68 years, died at his home. . . was born in Ohio, December 21, 1839. He came to Southwest Missouri in 1876 and settled on a farm six miles south of the city. For seven years he had lived in Joplin. He was survived by a widow, two sons, A. Bently of Dallas, Texas; C. W. Bently of Oregon, and two daughters, Mrs. Grace Shoemaker of Colorado and Mrs. W. C. Doerge of Joplin, MO.

In a "Declaration for Invalid Pension" (Be579.), dated July 6, 1891, Newton Co., MO, George Bentley, aged 52 y, resident of Shoal Creek Twp., Newton Co., MO, declared that he was the identical George Bentley who was enrolled on 8.27.1864, in Co. I, 42nd Reg., Missouri Infantry Volunteers, in the War of the Rebellion and was Honorably Discharged at Nashville, TN, 3.22.1865. He reported as "disabilities" age, rheumatism, and liver trouble, incurred at Newton County, MO, on or about 1871.

In a "Declaration for Pension" dated 2.18.1907, at Joplin, Jasper Co., MO, George Bentley declared that he enrolled at Macon City, MO, on 8.27.1864, as private, in Co. I, 42nd Regiment, Missouri Inf. Vols in the service of the United States, in the Civil war, and was honorably discharged at Nashville, TN, 3.22.1865. He was personally described as 5 feet 8 inches tall, fair complexion, blue eyes, sandy hair, occupation of farmer, b 12.19.1838, Green County, Indiana. His several places of residence since leaving the service had been (1) Sullivan Co., MO, until 1867; (2) Charitan Co., until 1869; (3) Henry Co., MO, until 1877; (4) Newton Co., MO, until 1898, when he moved to Joplin, MO. He stated that he was a pensioner. He made the declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States under the provisions of the act of February 6, 1907 (Be580.).

By his **first** wife Mary E. Slack, George was the father of (**A**) James and (**b**) Isabelle Bentley (Be573.,Be578.):

FDDFHDA. James Bentley, b 10.16.1862.

FDDFHDb. Isabelle (**Belle**) Bentley, b 10.16.1864 (Be578.). d 1.9.1941, from a stroke, ae. 76 y, Joplin, Jasper Co., MO. She m W.C. Doerge, d 11.2.1938.

Belle was a member of the Apostolic Church. She had lived in the Joplin district for more than 70 years. She was a member of the Old Schoolmates' Club of Washington School and from 1870 to 1880 taught school in the Redings Mill and Duenweg districts.

Besides her dtr, Mrs. Charles R. Warden of Joplin, she left two brothers, Alvin Bentley of Durant, OK, and Charles Bentley of Baker, OR (Be581.). Their dtr:

FDDFHDba. Pearl Doerge (Be573.), m Charles R. Warden; their res (1941) (1979-?): 1931 Pennsylvania Ave., Joplin, MO (Be581.).

By his **second** wife Sarah A. Slack, b 12.2.1841, Calhoun, Henry Co., MO, d 4.7.1880, Thurman, Newton Co., MO, George William Bentley (**Be:FDDFHD.**), had these four CH: (**C**) Alva Bentley, (**d**) Grace Bentley, (**E**) Charles W. Bentley, and (**f**) Maude **Pearl** Bentley; selected DESC:

FDDFHDC. Alva Bentley, b 11.24.1870, Calhoun, Henry Co., MO, d 8.1.1966. He had a "Teacher's Certificate, Indian Territory, Second Grade," #31, Muscogee, Ind. Ter., dated July 1, 1902, Alva Bentley, two years, Choctau Nation, signed by the Supt. of Schools in Ind. Ter. (Be585.).

Alva m Zora Heck Dodson; their dtr:

FDDFHDC?. Annabelle Bentley, m Cruze Clevenger; res (1979): 1625 N. 27th St., Lawton, OK (73505). Her existence was made known to this searcher by her first-cousin Elsie (Bentley) Russell of Sacramento, CA (1979).

FDDFHDd. Grace Bentley, b 12.18.1872, m Oscar Shoemaker.

FDDFHDE. Charles Wm. Bentley, b 12.10.1874, Shoal Creek, Newton Co., MO (Be578., Be563.), age 5 years, 1880 CR (taken June 1), calc. b of 1874 (Be562.). Charles d 1.7.1958, San Francisco, CA, bur Olivet Mem. Park, Colma, CA, m Henrietta (Hattie) Rundall (Be573., Be568.). They were m (according to m certificate) on 10.15.1905, LaGrande, OR, by O. H. King (minister); wit: J.V. Crawford and Mrs. O. H. King. Henrietta was b 2.2.1888, Cove, OR, dtr of William Henry Rundall; she d ae. 89 y, 11.21.1977, Carmichael, Sacramento Co., CA (res of CA for 38 y), bur East Lawn Mem., Greenback Lane, Sacramento (Be573., Be563.). Her res was Calistoga, Napa Co., CA. According to the Death Certificate, death was caused by (a) (immediate cause) cardio-respiratory failure, (b) (due to, or as a consequence of) pneumonia, (c) (due to, or as a consequence of) atherosclerosis (Be564.). Their six CH: (**a**) **Elsie**, (**b**) Bessie, (**c**) Pearl, (**D**) Elmer, (**E**) Everett, and (**f**) Henrietta Ruth Bentley. Selected DESC follow (Be573., Be563.):

FDDFHDEa. Elsie Maxine Bentley (BCRN: 31-2124-8016-456ID), b 8.16.1912, Burley, Ada Co., ID (Be573., Be563., Be567.); m **first** Carl Coleman (Be566.). Elsie Bentley was 7 years old at the time the school census record for Dist. No. 5 of the Baker Intermediate Educ. Dist., Baker, OR, was taken in November 1919; her parents were named as Chas. and Henrietta (response to Elsie's request in 1978) (Be565.). She often **corresponded.**

Elsie Bentley, res of Oakland, Almeda Co., CA, m **secondly** 12.23.1951, Reno, NV, William R. Russell (Be566.), b 9.17.1920 (Be573.), res of Newark, Licking Co., OH; wit: Jessie B. Rogers of Reno and Frederick J. Perazzo of Reno, Washoe Co., NV; Methodist Minister: Stephen C. Thomas (Be566.). William, son of Charles P. Russell of Carrol Co., TN, d 12.7.1977, Reno, NV, from a heart attack. William R. Russell was an engineer on the Southern Pacific Railroad, working AM-track between Sacramento, CA, and Sparks, NV (Be573.). Their only CH (Be573.):

FDDFHDEaA. William Michael (Mike) Russell, son of William R. and Elsie M., b Hollywood Presbyterian Hospital, Los Angeles, CA, 10.14.1953, at 3:45 pm, weight of 8 lb 8 oz (Be569.).

Mike loves football. He played in Reno Pop Warner, Reno High, and Santa Rosa Community College before becoming one of the nation's better college cornerbacks, operating in the defensive backfield at Brigham Young University of Provo, Utah, for two years. He ended his college career for the Cougars by playing against Oklahoma State in the Fiesta Bowl in Tempe, Arizona, 12.28.1974. This was the first bowl game the university had been invited to since football began there in 1922. Mike also played in the 15th annual Coaches All-America Game in 1975, Lubeck, TX. According to a newspaper sports-columnist, he was a second-team All-WAC choice with a dozen interceptions in two seasons (Be571.).

FDDFHDEb. Bessie Frances Bentley, b 11.22.1914, Burley, Ada Co., ID (Be563.).

FDDFHDEc. Pearl Margarete Bentley, b 7.17.1917, Baker, Baker Co., OR (Be563.).

FDDFHDED. Elmer Rundall Bentley, twin, b 7.27.1919, Baker, Baker Co., OR (Be563.).

FDDFHDEE. Everett Clinton Bentley, twin, b 7.27.1919, Baker, Baker Co., OR (Be563.). Everett, a bachelor, lived in Harve, MT (1979) (Be573.).

FDDFHDEf. Henrietta Ruth Bentley, b 3.22.1921, Baker, Baker Co., OR (Be563.).

FDDFHDf. Maude **Pearl** Bentley, b 2.1.1878, d 10.7.1884 (Be573., Be578.). Maude Pearl, dtr of George and Sallia A. Bentley, b 2.1.1876, d 10.7.1884, bur Fairview Cem., Joplin (Be560.).

FDDFHE. Edward Bentley, b 9.1840, IN (Be573., Be574.).

FDDFHF. Frank Bentley, b 4.8.1844, Linn Co., MO, was a Confederate Army veteran (see granddaughter Twyla's letter below). Frank d 2.16.1895, Joplin, Jasper Co., MO (Be560.). He m Eliz. Cauffield (Be573., Be574.). He m 11.5.1871, Mound Valley, KS, Elizabeth Ann Coffield, b 4.29.1851, Sistersville, WV, d 5.28.1914, Joplin, MO, bur Fairview Cem., Joplin (Be560.). Their 4 CH were (Be560.): (**A**) Charley, (**b**) Bertie, (**C**) Monta, and (**d**) Myrtle Lane Bentley; selected DESC:

FDDFHFA. Charley Bentley, b 12.23.1873, Joplin, MO, d 2.3.1950, Joplin, MO, m Zora Doll; 2 CH (Be560.):

FDDFHFAA. Raymond Bentley

FDDFHFAb. Loma Bentley

FDDFHFb. Bertie Bentley, b 9.19.1878, Truckie (?), OR, d 6.18.1880, OR (Be560.).

FDDFHFC. Monta Bentley, b 3.21.1882, OR, d 12.2.1960, Nevada, MO; m Agnes (----); four CH (Be560.):

FDDFHFCA. Joe Bentley

FDDFHFCB. Bill Bentley (Be560.); res (1979): 311 N. Grant St., Chanute, KS (Be573.).

FDDFHFCc. Dorothy Bentley, m (----) Wallington, res (1978): 3431 Harrison, Kansas City, MO (64109) (Be560.); res (1979): State Line, Kansas City, MO (Be573.).

FDDFHFCD. Mike Bentley (Be560.), res (1979): 9527 Chiswell Rd., Dallas, TX (Be573.).

FDDFHFCE. anon. (son) Bentley, d in childhood (Be573.).

FDDFHFd. Myrtle Lane Bentley, b 4.5.1888, Joplin, Jasper Co., MO, d 12.11.1970, Baxter Srpings, KS; m Frank Sparks; four CH (Be560.):

FDDFHFda. Twyla Sparks, m Fred L. Hedges; res (1978): 2412 Connor Ave., Joplin, MO (64801). Read Twyla's letter below. **Query:** Is Betty Qualls, Golf Hills Apts, 3104 Sappington, Apt 372, Fort Worth, TX (76116), a descendant of Frank's (Be573.), also a descendant of Twyla's?

FDDFHFdb. Dena Sparks

FDDFHFdC. Frank Sparks

FDDFHFdd. Helen Sparks

The following is a **verbatim** message typewritten on August 11, 1978, by Mrs. Fred L. (Twyla Sparks) Hedges of Joplin, MO, now deceased, to Mrs. Elsie (Bentley) Russell of Sacramento, CA.

Dear Elsie:

I was quite interested the other day when Bob Bentley called and read to me the letter you had written requesting information about the Bentley family. Are you really a cousin? My information is meager and I have often wished I knew more about it. Hope you can fill me in on some of the details.

Are you a descendant of George Bentley, or were there other brothers? I only have information about my grandparents, my grandfather's brother and his wives and daughter, and his mother. I know nothing at all about the brother George except that my mother had mentioned that as a child they had gone to George's home on Shoal Creek. Another thing my mother said was that George's grave always had a flag placed on it on Memorial Day because he served with the Union Army and her father's grave didn't have any because he was with the Confederate Army. **The dates, etc., I have about George I got from the tombstones at Fairview Cemetery, where my grandparents are also buried.** I presume George had other children besides the little girl who is buried there but I know nothing about them. I don't think my mother ever said anything about them.

I have a cousin whose father is several years older than my mother and perhaps she has more information than I do. We haven't kept in touch and the last address I have for her is several years old, but she might still live there. Her name is Mrs. Dorothy Wallington, 3431 Harrison, Kansas City, MO 64109. My mother's father died when she was only nine years old, which is probably one reason we have so little information about his family.

I don't even have the first name of my mother's grandfather, or any dates about him. I only know that he married Jane McDowell. She was born April 15, 1802, at Dublin ("Dublin" has been crossed out and "Maryland" printed in hand above), Ireland, and died Aug. 8, 1892. She is buried at Fairview, so I guess she lived in Joplin at the time of her death.

They had two sons, George W. Bentley, born Dec. 19, 1839, and died May **26**, 1907, and Frank Bentley, born April 8, 1844, in Linn County, Missouri, and died Feb. 16, 1898, in Joplin.

George was ('first married' was crossed out and "second marriage" written by hand above) to Sallia A. ("Slack" was written as insert after "Sallia A."), who was born Dec. 2, 1841, and died **Oct.** 7, 1880. They had a daughter, Maude Pearl, born Feb. 1, 187**6**, and died Oct. 7, 1884. He later was married to Rebecca J., who was born Dec. 7, 1845, and died Jan. 20, 1900.

Frank was married to Elizabeth Ann Coffield Nov. 5, 1871, in Mound Valley, Kan. She was born April 29, 1851, in Sistersville, West Virginia, and died May 28, 1914, in Joplin.

They had four children, Charley Bentley, born Dec. 23, 1873, in Joplin and died Feb. 3, 1950, in Joplin; Bertie Bentley, born Sept. 19, 1878, in Truckie (I think), Ore., and died Dec. 2, 1960, in

Nevada, Mo., and Myrtle Lane Bentley, born April 5, 1888, in Joplin and died Dec. 11, 1970, in Baxter Springs, Kans.

Charley and Zora (Doll) Bentley had two children, Raymond and Loma; Monta and Agnes Bentley had four children, Joe, Bill, Dorothy, Mike, and a younger brother who died as a child; Frank and Myrtle Sparks had four children, Twyla, Dena, Frank and Helen.

This is all the information I have, sorry there isn't more. I do hope you have something you can add to it.

Sincerely,
Twyla Sparks Hedges (signature)

FDDFi. Esther Bentley, Gideon's dtr, b 1798, Stephentown, NY (Be87.), b 5.6.1798 (Be73.), m anon. Levicy; CH:

FDDFia. Matilda Levicy

FDDFJ. Clark Bentley, b 6.1.1801, Otisco, Onondaga Co., NY, d 10.28.1867, m 2.19.1826, Lois Pierce (AR, GSL, SLC, UT).

FDDFJa. Martha Louisa Bentley

FDDFJb. Mary Celestia Bentley

FDDFK. Joseph Bentley, b 1802, Otisco, Onondaga Co., NY, m Eliza Fuller.

FDDFKA. Seymour Bentley

FDDF1. anon. (Gideon's dtr) Bentley, b and d ca 1804, Otisco, Onondaga Co., NY.

FDDFM. David Bentley, occupation: farmer; b Constantia, NY (Be81.); **or** b ca 1806, Otisco, Onondaga Co., NY (ARS, GSL, SLC, UT); b 1806, d ---- (B399.). David d Delphia, NY; m **first** Louise Shaw (ARS, GSL), m Louisa Shaw in 1831 (Be399.); m **twice** (Be81.) (identity of mother?): **David's six CH:** (1) Henry (Be81.) (?) or Hetty, b 1833 (Be399.) (?); (2) Jenett (Be81.) or Mary, b 1836 (Be399.); (3) James G. (Be81.) or James, b 1838 (Be399.); (4) Charles (Be81.) or Charles Benjamin, b 1840 (Be399.); (5) Isabell (Be81.) or Anabelle, b 1847 (Be399.); and (6) Richard (Be81.) and Richard, b 1851 (Be399.); selected DESC:

FDDFMa. Hetty Bentley, b 1833 ("Hetty" is this searcher's choice rather than "Henry").

FDDFMb. Mary Jenett Bentley, b 1836 (this searcher's compromise).

FDDFMC. James G. Bentley (Be81.), b 1838 (Be399.), b 7.10.1839 (Be81.); b Canastota ("Canastoa") (located in Madison Co., 22 mi. E of Syracuse), NY (Be81.), James d 7.21.1925, ae. 86 y, Utica, NY; occupation: mill operator; successive res: Little Falls and Utica, NY; m in Little Falls, NY, to Margaret Button, b 6.10.1840, Little Falls (Herkimer Co., 20 mi. E of Utica), NY, dtr of Frank. Margaret d 11.21.1920, ae. 81, Utica, NY. James

and Margaret had these six CH (Be 81.): (A) Seymour, (B) Fraisher, (c) Alice, (D) James M., (E) Fred, and (f) Kate Bentley; selected DESC:

FDDFMCA. Seymour Bentley, b 12.3.1863, Little Falls, NY; drill press operator and Justice of Peace; lived successively in Utica, New Hartford, and res (1927): 217 Richardson Ave., Utica, NY (Be81.).

Seymour Bentley wrote (*sic*) (Be81.): "Decedents of Gideon Bentley who was Born in Exter R.I. 1750 Served with Capt. Parker in the Revolution and Dided at Constantia N. Y. 1858 and is buried there."

Seymour m 12.20.1884, Utica, NY, Anna Radell, b 11.12.1866, Rome, NY, dtr of Michael Radell; their four CH (Be81.):

FDDFMCAA. Clarence Bentley, b 2.14.1887, Utica, NY; served in the U. S. Navy during World War I; m Mary Heenan.

FDDFMCAb. Bertha H. Bentley, b 1.4.1890, Utica, NY.

FDDFMCAC. Harold C. Bentley, b 10.10.1892, New Hartford (SE side of Utica), NY; served in the U. S. Army in World War (I) — Company C, 310 Infantry, 78th Division.

FDDFMCAD. Arthur S. Bentley, b 12.25.1895, New Hartford, NY; served in the U. S. Navy in World War (I); m Wava Miller.

FDDFMCB. Fraisher Bentley, b 2.1865, Little Falls, NY; res (1927): Utica, NY.

FDDFMCc. Alice Bentley, b 4.15.1867, Little Falls, NY; res (1927): Utica, NY; m Bert Huck.

FDDFMCD. James M. Bentley, b 7.11.1869, Little Falls, NY; res (1927): Utica, NY.

FDDFMCE. Fred. Bentley, b 1880, Utica, NY; res (1927): Utica, NY.

FDDFMCf. Kate Bentley, b 1884, Utica, NY; res (1927): Utica, NY; m Peter Gaffany.

FDDFMD. Charles Benjamin Bentley, b 1840, **Appleton**, WI, m Elizabeth Haywood, b 1843 (Be399.). Charles Bentley was living (1927) on South River St., Appleton, Outagamie Co., WI. He had served in the Civil War (Union Army). Seymour Bentley, his nephew (Be81.), wrote in 1927 that one should write to Charles for the dates of b and d of David Bentley **(Be:FDDFM.).**

One of the brothers of Charles B. Bentley's grandfather Gideon Bentley **(BE:FDDF.)** was Thomas Bentley **(BE:FDDC.)**. A grandson of Thomas named Russel T. Bentley **(Be:FDDCED.)**, compiled a genealogy on the Bentley family, mostly descendants of his grandfather Thomas, that in addition included the names and birth years of Gideon's CH and the CH of Gideon's son David **(Be:FDDFM.)** and the names of CH of David's son Charles Benjamin Bentley with corresponding birth years. Russel collected this data while on a visit to Appleton, WI, in 1891, to see his brother Alvern, who had

moved to Appleton after 1850. Charles B. had also moved to Appleton, WI, after 1850. This data was added to R.T. Bentley's genealogy (Be399., Be400., Be401.).

Charles and Elizabeth had these 3 CH (Be399.):

FDDFMDa. Mary Jenette Bentley, b 1866.

FDDFMDb. Georgie Bentley, b 1868.

FDDFMDc. Mabel Clare Bentley, 1877.

FDDFMe. Anabelle Bentley, b 1847 (Be399.); Isabell (Be81.).

FDDFMF. Richard Bentley (Be81.), b 1851 (Be399.).

FDDFN. Elisha Bentley (Be81.), b 1809, Otisco, Onondaga Co., NY, m Lucia Squiers (ARS, GSL, SLC, UT).

Subsubline IV.D?. or (?) IV.Dg. Ann Bentley, Be:FDDg.

FDDg. Ann Bentl(e)y, or perhaps —
FDD?. Anonymous Bentley.

The seventh and "youngest child of Benj.," single, d from smallpox at about the same time BENJAMIN'S wife d from smallpox between the dates of Dec. 16, 1760, and January 28, 1761, Exeter, Rhode Island Colony, according to the minutes of the Exeter Town Council meetings, copied by searcher Mrs. Blance Albro in 1978 (see **Be:FDD.**).[1]

In one other source (**Be.61.**), this anonymous person is "identified" as **Ann Bentl(e)y**, sister of these six males named in this order in the source: (1) Thomas (**C**), (2) Caleb (**A**), (3) Joseph (**B**), (4) Samuel (**D**), (5) Benjamin (**E**), and (6) Gideon (**F**). Ann was named in seventh place. Although errors have been made in this source for identification of others, this searcher feels that this identification of Ann as the seventh child of BENJAMIN and SARAH (SHIPPEE) BENTL(E)Y may very well be a genuine one.

[1] Neither name nor sex-identification of the child was recorded.

Subline IV. E. Thomas, Be: FDE.

FDE. Thomas Bentl(e)y, the Son of Thomas, b 7.11/12.1717, (Be111.), Kingstown, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, New England. Thomas was the son of THOMAS who wrote on 6.15.1772, his **Will** referring to Thomas in this extract ". . . a Tan Yard containing one Acre of Land belonging to my Son Thomas Bently. . . Ten Acres and a Half of Land which I have given by Deed to my Son Thomas Bently. . ." (Be200.).

FDE. Thomas Bentley, son of Thomas, son of William. Thomas was younger brother of Benjamin.

"Thomas Bently ye Son of Thomas was Born **July 11/12, 1717**" (legibility?) according to line no. 19 on a one-page written-record located in the Rhode Island Historical Society Library, Misc. Ms B477w; the paper is in rather dilapidated condition, especially the right edge, the damage to which has affected some parts of the dates for births, as is the case for the extract above (Be111.).

This record is important because it names Thomas Bently as "son of Thomas" and the record names Thomas, Sr. **(Be:FD.)** as "Thomas Bently (the) Son of William Born June ye 19 dy -- 1685" in two places on the page, one as one of his sons and the other as his son, father of 5 children, the fifth one being Thomas Bently (Bentley) **(Be:FDE.).**

According to the **Will** of Thomas Bentley, Sr., who died in **1778**, his son Thomas (Be:FDE.) possessed "one acre of land where the Tan yard "is" and all Buildings and utensials belonging to said yard." His father Thomas also stated in his **Will** (Be200.),

> I also Give unto my Said **Son Benjamin Bently** all my Homestead Farm where I now live Bounded Northerly partly **on a Tan Yard containing one Acre of Land belonging to my Son Thomas Bently** and Partly on a Highway Easterly on Land belonging to Robert Raynolds and Southerly on **Ten Acres and a Half of Land which I have given by Deed to my Son Thomas Bently** and westerly partly on Land belonging to Robert Raynolds and partly on **the before Described Tan Yard** with all the Buildings Appurtenances to the Same belonging to him my Said Son Benjamin. . .

Thomas (Be:FDE.), named in his father's **Will**: . . . a tan yard of one acre bounded on the south by father Thomas' Homstead Farm, on the south of this ten and a half acres given by Deed from Thomas Bentley, Sr. to son Thomas Bentley, Jr.

From Exeter OD 4:343, we learn that Samuel Spencer of West Greenwich sold to Thomas Bentley of Exeter 20 acres in **Exeter, 1.5.1747**. Benoni Hall, J.P. and Benja. Bentley, wit.

According to OD 6:43, Exeter, Thomas Bentl(e)y of Exeter, Yeoman. . . for. . . Four hundred pounds. . . paid by my son Thomas Bentley of **Jamestown**. . . Land. . . in **Exeter" — 8.27.1751**, John Raynolds, Jun'r, wit.

It is stated in Exeter OD 9:438 that. . . Thomas Bentley of Exeter. . . **my son Thomas Bentley of Jamestown. . . Tanner. . . Land. . . Exeter. . . one acre. . . 6.18.1762.** . . wit. Alice Reynolds, Benja. Raynolds, J.P. (signed).

The following information without precise indication of the exact information in the exact **original-or-primary source** and location of that source was supplied by a searcher-researcher who identifies himself as R. Ferris Randall, 2816 Roswell Parkway, Eden, NY (14057), a descendant of Ira (5) of Gideon (4), Caleb (3), William (2), William (1) Bentley.

of THOMAS BENTLEY. . .

Thomas Bentley (3). This Thomas was **probably** the one who married at New Shoreham, Block Island, Newport, RI, 9.17.1741, **Elizabeth Bargain** of whom nothing is known.

They had children born at New Shoreham and at Jamestown. Thomas also **seems to have been** of Newport where he **probably** m **secondly** Abigail, whose surname is unknown. He d in Providence, March 8, 1777, "late of Newport" in his sixtieth year. Letters of administration were granted Abigail, his widow in Providence, where she m **secondly** 12.29.1778, Nicholas Parker.

Land records in Exeter show that in 1762, "Thomas Bentley, Jr., of Jamestown" received land from his father, Thomas Bentley, Exeter. There was at that time no other Thomas in Jamestown than the Thomas who m **Elizabeth Bargain.**

R.F.R's Ref.: (1) Records of the Colony of RI(?), (2) Lobdell, J. H., Bentley Gleanings (pp?), (3) Munsell's Bentley Chart.

In the biographical sketch for **William Henry Anderson** in Volume 3 (pages 168-170+) of **Old and New Westmoreland** credited to John Newton Boucher (copies in both the Seattle and Los Angeles City Libraries) (brought to this searcher's attention by searcher Ed. Bentley of Seattle), an interesting letter of genealogical importance is included. The letter was written on January 1, 1886, Pittsburgh, PA, by Daniel S. Anderson and sent to William Henry Anderson's father Franklin's brother and his uncle Daniel's brother Thomas Anderson on the occasion of Thomas Anderson's Golden Wedding Anniversary. **Implied** from the sketch and the letter is the descent of William Henry Anderson's son Samuel K. Anderson from William Bentley, **i.e.** Samuel K. Anderson[8] (William Henry Anderson[7], Franklin Anderson[6], Thomas Anderson[5], Rebecca Jennings Bentley[4], Thomas Bentely[3], Thomas Bentely[2], William Bentely[1]).

An extract from Daniel S. Anderson's letter to his brother Thomas is included here: "**Thomas Bentley**, our great-grandfather, was **born July 11, 1717,**[1] but where we do not know, nor when or where he died. Our great-grandmother, whose maiden name was **Elizabeth Bergen**, was born **July 12, 1716**, where we do not know . . ." Daniel added that they had nine children: Mary Bentley, b 4.2.1742; Thomas Bentley, b 4.1744; John Bentley, b 3.1746; Nathaniel Bentley, b 5.10.1749; Elizabeth Bentley, b 6.9.1752; Bergen Bentley, b 1754; Rebecca Jennings Bentley (their grandmother), b

[1] See Be111.

9.18.1756; Peter Bentley, b 3.27.1759; Elizabeth Bentley, b 3.1773; and William Bentley, b 3.1775. No primary sources of any documentary evidence were given.

Query: Is the Thomas Bentley named on p. 169 of the 1918 pub. entitled **Old and New Westmoreland** (Vol. 3, edited by Fenwick Y. Hadley) and stated to have been born on July 11, 1717, the same person as the Thomas Bentley named as the son of Thomas the son of WILLAM of Kings Town (or later "North Kingstown), also b July 11, 1717? **If so**, he and his children **may be** classified:

Be:FDE. Thomas Bentley, b 7.11.1717,[1] b unk. place, d at time and place unknown, m **Elizabeth Bergen**, b **7.12.1716**, unk. place. Their nine CH were supposedly b from 1742 (Eliz. AE 26 y) to 1775 (Eliz. AE 58 y!!). Incredible fecundity, if true! Their CH:[2]

FDEa. Mary Bentley, b 4.1.1742.

FDEB. Thomas Bentley, b 4.1744.

FDEC. John Bentley, b 3.1746.

FDED. Nathaniel Bentley, b 5.10.1749.

FDEe. Elizabeth Bentley, b 6.9.1752.

FDEF. Bergen Bentley, b 1754.

FDEg. Rebecca Jennings Bentley, b 9.18.1756 (where? Providence, RI, or in MA?)

FDEH. Peter Bentley, b 3.27.1759.

FDEi Elizabeth Bentley, b 3.1773 (?).

FDEJ. William Bentley, b 3.1775 (?).

Selected descendants for Thomas Bentley (**Be:FDE.**) are traced for five generations in this article and for two gen. in the other article (p. 171) for **Samuel K. Anderson** (**8**), b 11.5.1870, Pittsburgh, PA, businessman in Jeanette, PA, son of the subject of the above sketch, **William Henry Anderson**. Samuel m 1.20.1897, Rosa Weigold; their two CH: **(a) Mary Anderson**, b 3.17.1898, Jeanette, Westmoreland Co., PA, and **(b) David William Anderson** (9), b 2.15.1910, Jeanette, PA.

[1]This searcher would like to know what the primary source is for this birth date of **July 11, 1717**, appearing in **Old and New Westmoreland** as Thomas Bentley's birth date. The interesting coincidence is that the foregoing date of birth stated for the above Thomas is the very same birth date found on a handwritten record (Be111.) naming a Thomas Bently, son of Thomas, son of WILLIAM, the Rhode Island Bentl(e)y Progenitor. Yes, the birth date for Thomas is also **July 11, 1717**!!! Keeping a record of the sources of genealogical data is so important. This searcher will only accept a tentative classification until better evidence of that date can be shown and other explanations can be made.

[2]If Thomas lost one wife and married a second, the time would likely have been after 1759.

Line V. Benjamin, Be:FE.

FE. Benjamin Bentl(e)y, WILLIAM'S son (**Be111, 201**).

"Benjamin Bently Son of William Born March ye 27 dy — 1690" (**Be111.**); "my Son Benjamin," stated by William Bentley in his **Will** of 1720.

"Benjamin, son of William and Sarah Bentley, d here (Town of Exeter, Washington Co., RI) in 1774. His father was a currier of King's Towne, RI; his son's name was William Bentley" (**Be27.**).

Benjamin Bentley (Be:FE.), son of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y, b March 27, 1690, Kings Towne, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations (now North Kingstown, RI). According to Rhode Island Historical Society record identified as **Misc. Ms. B477w**, "Benjamin Bently Son of William Born March ye 27 dy — 1690," *i.e.,* Benjamin was the son of "William Bently Born in Amphill in Bedfordshire England and Departed this Life in Kingstown 83 y'rs and 11 days of His age . . ." (**Be111.**). Benjamin d 1774, Exeter in RI Colony (**Be27.**).

The chief source for Benjamin Bentley, his family, and descendants is the book written by Emilie Sarter entitled **One Branch of the Bentley Family of Rhode Island** published in 1953, compiled for William Perry Bentley of Dallas, TX. Parts of this source should be revised in the light of more recent discoveries regarding the Rhode Island Bentley Progenitor and his ancestors and descendants.

The trace which follows was based upon information in Emilie Sarter's book proceeding from Progenitor WILLIAM to Russell Bonner Bentley, Jr.[10] (Russell Bonner,[9] William Perry,[8] George Alfonso,[7] John,[6] John[5], William,[4] William,[3] Benjamin,[2] WILLIAM BENTLEY[1]) (*i.e.,* **Be:FEEBAFDABA.**) *et al.*

THE TRACE OF DESCENT FROM WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y (Be:F.) TO TENTH GENERATIONISTS IN TEXAS

Be:F. WILLIAM (**1**) BENTL(E)Y "of Rhode Island," Kingstown (North), b England, d before 7.9.1720 (?); father of

Be:FE. Benjamin (**2**) Bentl(e)y, b March 27, 1690, Kingstown; father of

Be:FEE. William (**3**) Bentl(e)y, b ----, m 4.29.1750, Mercy Sweet, William's dtr, of East Greenwich (RI) (Be40.B.); parents of

Be:FEEB. William (**4**) Bentl(e)y, b 3.22.1756, East Greenwich, (RI); father of

Be:FEEBA. John (**5**) Bentley, b prior to 1782, East Greenwich, RI; father of

Be:FEEBAF. John (**6**) Bentley, b 1817, East Greenwich, RI; father of

Be:FEEBAFD. George Alfonso (7) Bentley, b 7.4.1853, Jewett City, CT; father of (**A**) William P., (**B**) Fred H., (**c**) Sarah A., and (**D**) John E. Bentley; selected DESC:

Be:FEEBAFDA. William Perry (8) Bentley, b 1880, Niantic (now known as Bradford Village), Westerly Town, RI; father of

Be:FEEBAFDAB. Russell Bonner (**9**) Bentley, b 8.31.1914, Houston, TX; father of

Be:FEEBAFDABA. Russell **Bonner** (10) Bentley, Jr., b 8.31.1940, Houston, TX; res (1978): Dallas, TX.

Be:FEEBAFDB. Fred Harold (8) Bentley, b 1882, Ashaway Village, Hopkintown Town, RI; d 1918, Plainville, CT; father of

Be:FEEBAFDBC. Allon Peckham (**9**) Bentley, b 1912, Niagara Falls, NY; father of

Be:FEEBAFDBCA. James Allon (**10**) Bentley, b 1935, Dallas, TX

Be:FEEBAFDc. Sarah Allen (**8**) Bentley, b 1885, d 1885.

Be:FEEBAFDD. John Earle (**8**) Bentley, b 1890, Pittsfield, MA; father of

Be:FEEBAFDDC. John Earle (**9**) Bentley, Jr., b 1925, Dallas, TX.

This genealogical trace is presented in appreciation for the contribution of valuable knowledge of our Bentl(e)y-family Progenitor WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y of Kingstown by three Bentleys in the eighth generation and their genealogist Emilie Sarter (**Be35.**).

Recognition of the **Bible** inscription record(s) stating WILLIAM'S birth place as **Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England**, is significant (**Be111.**). The revelation of this obscure document in the Rhode Island Historical Society, Providence, RI, lends support to certain Bentl(e)y-family traditions and dispels other legends as myths. Obviously neither E. Sarter nor any other Bentl(e)y-family genealogist or historian had knowledge of the precise information in the document prior to the 1970's.

In 1949, Emilie Sarter commented as follows on **Benjamin Bentl(e)y (Be:FE.)**, b March 27, **1690**, son of **WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y** of Kingstown, Colony of RI (Be111.) (the **verbatim** quotation follows from **Be35.**, pages 26-41, and parts of pages 42 and 45):

E. Sarter's preliminary remark (p. 22) was that WILLIAM'S children, including THOMAS, were born probably in that part of the King's Towne, King's Province, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, that is now in the eastern part of the township of Exeter, Washington County, State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations.

2. v. Benjamin (2) Bentley, born probably in or before **1690**.

On the 6th of May, 1712, the General Assembly of the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, meeting at Newport, ad-

mitted forty-four inhabitants of Kingstown, freemen of the Colony. Among them were William Bentley, Jr., Thomas Bentley and James Bentley. Benjamin Bentley was admitted freeman of the Colony from Kingstown on May 2, 1727.

Benjamin (2) Bentley (William (1))

2. Benjamin (2) Bentley (William (1)) was born **probably** before or in **1690**, in that part of the King's Towne, King's Province, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations that was included in North Kingstown at the division of 1722/3 into North and South Kingstown, **and became the eastern part of the present township of Exeter when it was set off from North Kingstown in 1743.**

The date of his death is not definitely known. In **The Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island** on page 19, in the second column of the Bentley Chart, Austin gives 1744 as the year of death of Benjamin (2) Bentley. How he arrived at this date is unknown unless he concluded that the receipt given on August 29, 1744 by Benjamin (2) Bentley to his wife's uncle, Samuel Rathbone, executor of her deceased father, Thomas (2) Rathbone's estate was the last reference found and therefore the probable year in which Benjamin (2) Bentley died. However, farther down on the Bentley Chart, Austin states that Benjamin (2) was "called of Exeter" in 1750 at the time of the marriage of his son, William (3) Bentley, to Mercy Sweet.

There are, however, certain items of records to show that this Benjamin (2) Bentley was living, in East Greenwich, as late as 1765; and, perhaps in Warwick, until 1772, for on June 8th, 1772, the inventory of the Estate of Benjamin Bentley, deceased, was recorded and administration granted his widow, Barbara, on November 30, 1773. Two children, not named, are mentioned. (Warwick, R. I., Wills, No. 3, 1761-1781, pp. 285, 318.) There seem to have been three children of whom more below. As no other Benjamin Bentley seems to have been eligible then, it would be safe to conclude until otherwise proved, that Benjamin (2) Bentley, son of William (1) Bentley, died in Warwick, in 1772, and that he was twice married. If the year of death is 1772, Benjamin (2) Bentley would have been eighty-two and perhaps a few more years old, a very likely age, for with the exception of one brother, James (2) Bentley who died prior to 1757, this generation of Bentleys, in the males, all lived to be eighty and more, and even James (2) was probably in his seventies. Jane (2), their sister, was perhaps barely fifty when she died, according to such records as survive.

Whether or not Benjamin (2) Bentley was twice married we do know that his first wife was Patience (3) Bentley, born at New Shoreham, Block Island, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations in New England, on November 14, 1690, daughter of Thomas (2) and Mary (2) (Dickens) Rathbone. Record of her death has not been found and if her husband, Benjamin (2) Bentley married again, she died prior to 1762 for on November 21 of that year, a Benjamin (2) Bentley was married at Warwick by Elder John Gor-

ton, to **Barbara Pearce** (Peirce or Pierce). The record shows that bride and groom were "both of East Greenwich." Elder Gorton was pastor of the Six Principle Baptist Church of Warwick. His house stood "near the East Greenwich line on the main road leading from Appanaug to East Greenwich." (Oliver P. Fuller, **Historical Sketches of the Churches of Warwick, R. I.**, 1880.)

Barbara Pearce was born in Warwick on July 24, 1738, daughter of Jeremiah (4) and Frances (..?..) Pearce, Jr. Jeremiah (4) was a son of Jeremiah (3) and Abigail (Long) Pearce, and brother of Elizabeth (4) Pearce who married William Sweet of East Greenwich. Their daughter, Mercy (or Mary) Sweet, born at East Greenwich, February 24, 1728/9, married in 1750, William (3) Bentley, son of Benjamin (2) and Patience (3) (Rathbone) Bentley. Barbara Pearce, if the records ar correctly interpreted, by her marriage to Benjamin (2) Bentley, therefore became stepmother-in-law to her cousin Mercy (Sweet) Bentley.

It was doubtless before his marriage to Patience (3) Rathbone, that Benjamin (2) Bentley served nearly five months as sergeant in the colonial expedition to French Canada in 1709 in the war of the Spanish Succession which the English colonists in America called Queen Anne's War against France. Pay for his service amounted to L7.10.0. (General Treasurer's Accounts, p. 140, R.I. Archives, Providence; **R.I.C.R.**, 4:82.) In the same war he served in that rank in the expedition against Port Royal, now Annapolis, Nova Scotia, in 1710, in which his brother James (2) Bentley, also served. For "139 days at 1 and 6" Benjamin (2) Bentley, received L10.8.6 in pay. (*Ibid.*) The name is spelled **Bently.**

Benjamin (2), like his father William (1) Bentley, was a currier, which trade however he seems to have abandoned later in life as the records show him as "mariner." In Kingstown, as the King's Towne came to be written, he lived probably with his father in the house on the plot of land which the Town Council had granted the latter in 1705 and which was part of the eight acres William (1) Bentley purchased from Captain John Eldred in 1718 and bequeathed to his son, Benjamin (2).

This land, with its dwelling house, "garding" and "tan house" lay on the north side of Annaquatucket River, east of the present Post Road (U.S. Highway 1) and west of the "old country road" or "Antient Pequet" path which is no longer in existence.

In September 1719, Benjamin (2) and his father, William (1) Bentley, lost their appeal of 1715, in the action for trespass brought against them by James and Daniel Updike. The Bentleys were ordered to pay damages amounting to L150.

Although William (1) Bentley, in his will, appointed his wife, Sarah, executrix, the Town Council granted letters of Administration to both Sarah and her son, Benjamin (2), on July 11, 1720.

In his father's will, Benjamin (**2**) Bentley, not previously having received land, was bequeathed the eight acres purchased of Captain John Eldred in 1716. He came into possession in 1720 and on October 22, 1722 he sold it to Christopher Phillips "of Kingstown, tanner." Benjamin (**2**) is called "of Kingstown, currier." He was able to write, as the record shows that he signed his name to the deed. Patience, his wife, however, could not, and signed away her dower rights and widow's thirds with a mark.

On the third Tuesday of June, 1722, the General Assembly meeting at Newport considered the question of dividing Kingstown into two parts: "Forasmuch, as the town of Kingstown is very large, and full of people so that it is found convenient for the ease of the inhabitants and dispatch of business to divide the same into two parts, and make two towns thereof" and be known "by the names of North and South Kingstown." A committee was appointed to divide the town and "state the bounds thereof with all the equality as may be." At the August Assembly it was voted that the committee "do proceed in said business and complete the same" and report to the Assembly when it met at Providence on the last Wednesday of the following October in 1722. But it was not until the Assembly held at Providence on the last Tuesday of February, 1722/3; *i.e.*, February 1723, according to the present calendar, that the committee submitted its report stating the dividing line and boundaries of the two towns. The Assembly then "Voted, that this foregoing return be accepted, and that North Kingstown be the eldest town." (**R.I.C.R.** 4:316, 317, 321.)

Benjamin (**2**) Bentley and all other inhabitants of that part of Kingstown therefore became of "North Kingstown" on the last Tuesday of February, 1723.

The following March 9, 1722/3, Benjamin (**2**) Bentley bought of Thomas Eldred, for L70, fifty acres of land in North Kingstown. The registrar not yet accustomed to the new name entered both Thomas Eldred and Benjamin (**2**) Bentley as of "Kingstown" and spelled the name "Bently."

Sometime in 1724 — the record is not clear — Benjamin (**2**) Bentley sold the fifty acres to Job Herrington for L72. Benjamin (**2**) is designated as "of North Kingstown, yeoman." Having sold his tan house in 1722, he must temporarily have turned to farming, the term "yeoman" meaning, primarily, one who cultivates his own land.

As the son of a freeman, Benjamin (**2**) was eligible for admission to both town and colony on his own account when he reached eighteen, but there is no record of his admission. He is however, recorded as having been admitted a freeman of the colony from East Greenwich in 1727. On January 10, 1724/5 "Benjamin Bently of North Kingstown, currier" for "L33 Currant Money of New England" purchased of Jonathan Wells of East Greenwich, "a Sartain

small Lott of Land scituate & lying & being in East Greenwich, by estimation, ¼ of an acre, fift (*sic*) Lott of said small Lotts made by Malacha Rodes, surveyor." (East Greenwich Land Evidence, No. 4. p. 83.)

In 1726 or 1727, the Town Council of East Greenwich admitted Benjamin (2) Bentley as freeman of that town, since he owned land, and "returned" his name with that of others to the General Assembly where at Newport on May 2, 1737, he and eleven other inhabitants of East Greenwich were admitted freemen of the Colony. (**R.I.C.R.** 4:386.)

This one-quarter acre he sold on April 15, 1732 to William Havens of North Kingstown, who on April 29th, took "peaceable and quiet possession" of it. Pattience Bentley did not sign.

Patience Bentley's father, Thomas (2) Rathbone, died at New Shoreham, on December 26, 1733. His will, made November 16, 1733, was not proved until June 10, 1734. Real Estate not previously deeded to his sons was given to his wife Mary Rathbone, for life. In consequence, his estate was not settled until after her death, which must have been in 1744, when on August 29, her brother-in-law, Samuel (2) Rathbone, co-executor with her, presented to the New Shoreham Probate court, receipts from the sons and sons-in-law of the testator. As Austin shows in his **Dictionary**, Benjamin (2) Bentley was one of those who signed a receipt. (Rathbone Chart, Austin's **Dictionary**, p. 159.)

The Rathbone Genealogy by John C. Cooley (1898), refers to an item in P. H. Smith's History of Duchess County, New York (1882), that Thomas Rathbone owned land in "Pecapske" (Poughkeepsie), one-seventh of his rights in which he conveyed to each of his surviving children. A "division deed" in 1744 seems to have been agreed upon among the seven sons and sons-in-law.

When Benjamin (2) Bentley left East Greenwich is not known, but he apparently was "of Exeter" either at or soon after August 29, 1744, the date on which he signed the receipt for his wife's portion of her father's estate. He purchased there on November 16, 1744, as "Benjamin Bently of Exeter, Corrier" one acre of land from his nephew, William (3) Bentley, son of his elder brother, Thomas (2).[1] It **may** be that Benjamin (2) had been a tenant on this land and with his wife's inheritance was now able to purchase it. William (3) Bentley was a blacksmith in Exeter. **His brother's name was Benjamin (3), who, with the advent of his uncle, Benjamin (2), came to be called Benjamin, Jr., to distinguish him from the senior uncle so long as the latter remained in Exeter.**

Dutchess County in New York State, according to P.H. Smith, was named for the Duchess of York. Smith decided to preserve her

[1] See Be103. (Exeter Land Evidence).

title in the title of his history, although the origin of the name of the county is also attributed to the fact of the Dutch settlers along the Hudson River.

The west end of the town of North Kingstown had been incorporated into a township on the "second Tuesday in March 1742/3. . . the same to be distinguished and known by the name of Exeter." (**R.I.C.R.** 5:57.)

An inhabitant of the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations was free to remove from one town to another. After purchase of land in the town, the Town Council, usually at a quarterly meeting, voted to admit him a freeman of the town which gave him the right to vote for town officials.

These meetings of the Town Council were always held a week or so before the meeting of the General Assembly. The list of names of freemen admitted at Town Council meetings was then "returned" to the General Assembly by the town's deputies who attended the sessions twice a year or as often as they were called.

Usually the day before the sitting of the General Assembly, if the lists were very long, the Governor and his Council met and passed upon the freemen of the colony, had the right to vote for colony officers.

In this manner, there were, frequently, duplications of admission to the colony. This seems to have been the case with Benjamin (2) Bentley. A freeman of East Greenwich he was admitted to the Colony from that town. Later as a freeman of Exeter he was again admitted to the Colony from Exeter, his name having been automatically "returned" with that of others who had been admitted freemen of Exeter.

There was no other Benjamin Bentley in Exeter at that time eligible for admission. Benjamin (3), son of Thomas (2) Bentley did not own land until 1748 and was distinguished in the records by the qualifying addition of "Junior" to his name when his uncle, Benjamin (2), settled in Exeter.

Exeter town meeting records show that a meeting on April 17th, 1745, Benjamin Bentley and Thomas Rathbone, evidently his brother-in-law, were admitted, with others, freemen of the town of Exeter, and on April 30th, of the Colony. The printed Colony records, 5:108, state that the Governor and Council met at Newport on the "3th day of April, 1745" and that the only business transacted was the admission of freemen from each of the towns. The "3th day" is obviously in error, typographical perhaps, or a misreading of the original manuscript. On May first the deputies from all the towns are corded as present at the General Assembly, including the two from Exeter, Job Tripp and Benoni Hall. Benoni Hall as town clerk had recorded the town Council meeting at which time Benjamin (2) Bentley had been admitted.

In 1665, the "Generall Assembly, sitting at Newport, May the 3" passed certain 'Acts and Orders," among them that "It is his Majestyes will and pleasure,

"1. That all householders inhabiting this Collony take the oath of alleagence, and the administration of justice be in his Majestyesname.

"2. That all men of competante estates and of civill conversation, who acknowlege and are obediente to the civill magistrate, though differing judgments, may be admitted to be freemen, and have liberty to choose and be choosen officers both civill and ..?.."

(the final word is believed to be "military")

(**R.I.C.R.** 2:110)

At the Feburary 18, 1723/4 General Assembly the qualifications were made to be land to the value of L100 or a rental value of fourteen or forty (not clear) shillings a year.

The qualifications were not always met and only when there was obvious corruption in voting, particularly for colony officer, did the General Assembly decide to increase the qualification. In 1730 it was raised to L200; and, in 1746 to L400, with a rental ratio.

Benjamin (2) Bentley's land in Exeter was not equal in value to the sum required but the need for votes during this period was great, in spite of the fact that in 1742, the General Assembly had passed an act requiring every freeman, *i.e.*, voter in the colony, to "take the freeman's oath againts bribery and corruption" at the polls. At an Exeter town meeting on April 19, 1749, Benjamin (2) Bentley took this oath. It is probable that this Benjamin was Benjamin (2) as his nephew, Benjamin (3) would have been distinguished by "junior."

In 1750, William (3) Bentley, **apparently** youngest child of Benjamin (2) was married at East Greenwich to "Marcy" or ("Mercy") Sweet. William (3) seems to have remained in East Greenwich were in 1751 he bought a "small house and lott."

On March 6, 1756, Benjamin (2) Bentley of Exeter sold back to his nephew, William (3), also of Exeter, the one acre he had purchased in 1744. Having learned to write, Patience Bentley signed her name in full.

Benjamin (2) Bentley and his wife Patience apparently returned to East Greenwich, where Patience — if it was her husband who married in 1762, Barbara Pearce — must have died soon after.

The records of the Court of Common Pleas for Kent County in the Court House at East Greenwich show in Book 4, page 86, that at the "January Term A.D. 1765"

"Benjamin Bently of East Greenwich, Marriner" was plaintiff in an action of Damages of "L5 Legal Money" against "Randall Holden, Jr., of Warwick, Marriner." Holden defaulted and Bentley was awarded judgment of L45,6,1 Old Tenor or the equivalent in

legal money" with costs. "Old Tenor" was paper money issued between 1710 and 1740 against any money then or subsequently current and available. "New Tenor" was paper money issued between 1740 and 1756 against silver and gold of a fixed weight per ounce. "Legal or Lawful Money" was paper money issued between 1756 and 1786 against gold only. "Old Tenor" in 1765 was greatly depreciated. A New England pound which in the early colonial period had been equivalent to about $200 of our money today began to depreciate during the last quarter of the seventeenth century and was in 1765 worth about $3.50 more or less.

The date of Benjamin (2) Bentley's marriage to Patience Rathbone has not been found but it must have been after 1710 and perhaps a few years before his father's death in 1720.

It was the custom in "South County" towns of Rhode Island to have a page for each inhabitant and his family, on which were recorded marriages, births of children, and deaths. The page in the old Kingstown records is one of those badly burned in a fire in 1870 in the building in which the then Town Clerk of North Kingstown at Wickford had his office.

This page records

"The Burths of the Children of Benja & . . . (burned)
. . . rah Bently was borne the 24th day of May . . . . (burned)
. . . aryt Bently was borne the 28 Day of August . . . (burned)
. . . imah Bently was born the 16th Day of Febru. . . . (burned)
. . . th Bently was born the 29th Day of Decemb. . . (burned).
. . . Bently was born the 10th Day of April. . . . (burned)."

Arnold in his **Vital Record of Rhode Island,** Volume 5, North Kingstown, deciphers the names as follows:

i Sarah
ii Mary
iii Jeremiah
iv Elizabeth
v . . . . .

As the marriage of his son William (3) records that he was a son of Benjamin, the last child was **undoubtedly** this William (3).

A study of other records would show that the children of Benjamin (2) and Patience (Rathbone) Bentley were **more likely** as follows:

i Sarah, who may have died young
ii Margaret or Mary who died unmarried in 1782
iii Jemimah (3), who married at Providence, February 4, 1748, William Fish or Fisk of Providence.[1]
iv Elizabeth (3), who married at Warwick on September 2, 1744, Israel Tripp
3. v William (3)

[1] "William **Fisk**, of Providence, and Jemima Bentley, of East Greenwich; m by Giles Pierce, Justice, Feb. 4, **1738.**" East Greenwich "Marriages," 3:169; Arnold, J.N., **Vi Rec RI**, Vol. 1, p 28.

Children of Benjamin (2) and Barbara (Pearce) Bentley:

vi Sarah (3), born East Greenwich, August 31, 1764, died, probably East Greenwich, in 1805, married, East Greenwich, December 25, 1785. Moses Peirce,[1] born 1757, died Surinam, South America, in 1796 of yellow fever. Buried at sea, son of Thomas and Rebecca (Scranton) Pearce.

vii Albethany (3) (so spelled), born East Greenwich, March 22, 1767, died ----, married "Greenwich" by Elder John Gorton, March 15, 1789, James Gould, of East Greenwich, born ----, died ----, son of John Gould of Newport, deceased.

viii Parmelia (3) (so spelled), born East Greenwich, June 3, 1769, died ----, married, East Greenwich, by H. Cook, Justice, May 31, 1790, Caleb Green, born ----, died ----, son of Nathan and ----

Sarah and Bethany, as the name is spelled by Gorton, were married by him. He had married their parents, Benjamin and Barbara.

Daniel Pearce, a brother of Moses, in 1779, married Lucy (4) Bentley, daughter of William (3) and Mercy (Sweet) Bentley and granddaughter of Benjamin (2) Bentley whose second wife, Barbara Pearce, was a cousin of Mercy Sweet.

Sarah (3) Bentley, daughter of Benjamin (2) and Barbara (Pearce) Bentley became a step-aunt of Mary (4) Bentley, daughter of William (3) and at the marriage of each to the Pearce brothers became cousins. Sarah (3) was also half-sister to William (3) who married Mercy Sweet who was Barbara's cousin.

If the correct interpretation of the records is that it was Benjamin (2) (William (1)) who married Barbara Pearce, the following may also be possible.

The Inventory of the Estate of Benjamin Bentley, deceased, amounted in 1772, when it was filed, to L30.15.6 equal to perhaps about $100 in that pre-Revolution day. Two children only were mentioned but not named. As there appear to have been three, and careful comparison with other Bentley families would prove this to be true, it is possible that one of the daughters was adopted by William (3), son by his first wife, of Benjamin (2), father of the child.

Family records give William (3) a daughter whose name is not known. This is confirmed by the colony or state census of Rhode Island taken in 1774, but another daughter, under 16, is also listed. The name of only the head of the family, William, of East Greenwich, is given. This daughter "under 16" could perhaps be Sarah (3) daughter of Benjamin (2) and Barbara (Pearce) Bentley and half-sister of William (3) who, whether or not he adopted her, must have

[1]J.N. Arnold, **Vi Rec RI**, Vol. I, E. Greenwich, Marr., p. 56, **incorrectly** spells Bently as "Battey" (index also); orig. 2-66 seen.

had her listed at least as living with him in 1774 and perhaps prior to that, which would account for only the two children mentioned in the probate record.

The records of the marriage of Sarah (3), "Bethany (3)" and "Pamelia (3)" all give "of Benjamin, deceased." So far as the records have been searched there was no Benjamin, deceased, at the dates of the marriages except the husband of Barbara, and the births of these three daughters are recorded as of Benjamin and Barbara Bentley.

P. 42: Third Generation.

3. William (3) Bentley (Benjamin (2), William (1) was born, so far as the salvaged records show, in that part of Kingstown which in February 1722/3 became North Kingstown. Records of his name and month, day and year of birth are completely obliterated. He was born probably in the 1720's, and seems to have been the youngest child and only son of Benjamin (2) and Patience (3) (Rathbun) Bentley. His marriage is recorded in East Greenwich:

William Bentley, of **Benjamin** of Exeter, and **Mary Sweet**, of **William** (of East Greenwich) married at East Greenwich, April 29, 1750 (Probate Records, No. 2, second of five pages of marriages preceding Probate Index).[1] **East Greenwich was then in that part of Providence County which on June 11 of that same year of 1750 became Kent County.**

Mary (5) Sweet was born in East Greenwich, February 24, 1728/9 and died at Providence, Providence Co., State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, August 11, 1815, in the 87th year of her age. At the time of her death, she is recorded as having resided with her eldest and only living son, **Christopher (4) Bentley**[2] and his second wife, **Lydia (Arnold) Bentley**.

P. 45: . . . (William (3) Bentley) (bought) for L84 Old Tenor from Preserved Peirce, Jr., Administrator of the Estate of James Reynolds, late of East Greenwich, a small lot "between Country Road and Sea or Salt Water," adjoining, on its east bound the lot he purchased in 1751. Both of these lots were small, amounting, together, to slightly more than a third of an acre, and not far from the quarter acre purchased there by Benjamin (2) Bentley in 1724/5 and sold in 1732.

James Reynolds, it is interesting to note, was the grandson of the Joseph Reynolds who with his sons, Joseph, Jr., and Robert

[1]East Greenwich Probate Book 2, page 2A (from xerox copy made from the original record by Blanche W. Albro, Coventry, RI, correspondent, May 1, 1979): "These may Certifie any Towne Clerk or any person or any persons what so ever that **William Bently** Son of **Benjamin Bently** of Exeter in the County of Kings County and **Mercy Sweet** Daughter of **William Sweet** of East Greenwich in the County of Providence was lawfully married in East Greenwich of County of Providence April ye 29th A.D. 1750 by **William Spencer** Justice Peace." Note that on the original record "Exeter" follows "Benjamin Bently of" with "East Greenwich" (crossed out).

[2]See **Be40.B.**for births of Christopher, William (Jr.), and Lucey; also see **Be270.** for deaths and burials of Christopher and wife Lydia Arnold, David's dtr.

Reynolds, settled in 1676, after the war against King Philip, on the land west of Wickford which they eventually purchased in 1709 from the Colony agents. James **(4)** was son of James **(3)** who was son of Joseph **(2)** who was the son of James **(1)** Reynolds (The Reynolds Family Association, 31st Annual Report, page 87) (see Be35.).

A BENTLEY FAMILY OF QUEBEC WITHOUT PROVEN AFFILIATION TO THE RHODE ISLAND BENTLEYS

On July 7 and 20, 1978, this searcher received in answer to his query in one of the genealogical periodicals, a counter query regarding a Bentley family traced to Quebec. The letters were written by Mrs. Andrew Richardson (Judith Mae Cameron) Fraser, a descendant of "Cecelia Bentley, b ca 1808, a native of Quebec, who d in 1855, Linn Co., IA, wife of William Cameron." Cecelia's parents were unknown to her or to this searcher.

This searcher sent a letter to the Centre d'Archives de la Capitale in Quebec, Quebec, having recently read an article in one of the Canadian genealogical periodicals that vital statistics were recorded and indexed on cards for easy referral there, but that the searcher was requested to make the search. Enlisting their help by correspondence resulted in success.

Photocopies of 36 different baptismal, marriage, and burial records were sent to this searcher in reply to his request, for a nominal fee to search and photocopy. Among these records was one for the baptism of "Cecilia Jane Bentley," the daughter of John Bentley and wife Deborah (McKay-likely), on April 22, 1802. The date is about six years earlier than that stated for "Cecelia Bentley's" birth by Judith. We do have a very strong lead and hope to locate a marriage record in the Toronto area with evidence of the bride's parents and/or her age. John Bentley, "High Constable," d ae. 59 y, bur 11.11.1813, "Metropolitan;" Quebec, Quebec (Be357.).

One of the other cards yielded this information regarding the marriage of "Cecilia Jane Bentley's" parents: marriage, December 21, 1799, John Bentley to Deborah McKay (Mc Kay?), St. Andrew's Church, Quebec. (See **Be357.**, the 36 records gleaned in chronological order).

Cecelia's descendant Judith was living in England with two CH and her husband, stationed there with the U. S. Air Force. The following trace appears to be both valid and reliable(1978).

?. Cecelia Bently (Be 358.), dtr of unidentified parents. Query: who were Cecelia's paternal gf, ggf, and gggf? Cecelia was believed to have been born ca 1808, a native of Montreal, Quebec, who in 1823, Toronto, York Co., Ontario, m William Cameron, b ca 1804, native of (Waterloo or Wellington-?-Co.), Ontario (Be358.) (Judith's ?). Their CH (hypothetical birth-sequence) (Be358.):

?A. Charles Cameron

?b. Emma Cameron, d before 1890.

?c. Ann Cameron

?D. Samuel Thomas Cameron (Be358., Be359.), b ca 1833/4.

Samuel T. Cameron received in youth an excellent education in the land of his birth, Waterloo, now Wellington Co., Ontario, Canada, and "until he attained his majority remained at home assisting his father in carrying on the farm."

According to a history of Monona County, IA (Be358.), written in 1890:

> On reaching man's estate he came to the United States and located in Linn County, Iowa, where he was engaged in farming until 1862, when, on the 1st of October, he enlisted in Company K, Sixth Iowa Cavalry. With the most of his regiment he passed the succeeding winter at Camp Hendershott, Davenport, but on the 1st of May, 1863, came across the State to Sioux City, and from there went into Dakota with the expeditions under Gen. Sully, participating in the engagements at White Stone Hill and Fallen Springs, and campaigned throughout the length and breadth of that great territory. In the fall of 1864, the regiment went into camp at Sioux City, and in the spring Mr. Cameron was commissioned as Second Lieutenant of the Second United States Infantry, and proceeded to Ft. Larned, Kansas, where his company was stationed. Ten days later he received orders from Gen. Sully to again report at Sioux City to take command of the battery of the expedition which he was organizing and started again from Sioux City on a campaign through the northern part of Dakota to Devils Lake, and through the Moose River Country. While on the march they received notice that Capt. Fisk with his company, was surrounded near the Black Hills, some two hundred and eighty-eight miles from Ft. Rice, from which point, after reaching there, with two pieces of artillery, Lieut. Cameron proceeded with the troops under Col. Dill to the scene of the conflict, and rescued the imperiled men. Returning to Sioux City late in the fall he reported at Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas, where he was mustered out of the service, November 27, 1865, and returning to Linn County, sold his property and removed to Hamilton County, this State, whence three months later, he removed to his present residence on section 4, Cooper Township. He has a farm of some five hundred and forty acres, a large share of which is improved where he carries on an extensive stock business.

Samuel T. Cameron, b 1.17.1833/34 (Judith's letter), Waterloo Co., ON, d 2.13.1905, Cooper Twp., Monona Co., IA, m 1849, Canada (Be358.), m 3.23.1855, Ontario, Canada, to Sarah Rice, b 5.3.1837, Waterloo Co., Ontario, d 2.9.1919, Danbury, Woodbury Co., IA; their 11 CH: (1) Charles, (2) **Robert**, (3) Priscilla, (4) William, (5) Jane, (6) Lafayette, (7) Cora, (8) Clara, (9) David, (10) John, and (11) Marquis Miles Cameron (Be358.); their selected DESC:

?DA. Charles H. Cameron, Samuel's "son" (Be359.), b 1856, IA, m (anon.); res (1905): Danbury, IA, living ae. 52 y (Be359.).

?DB. Robert B. Cameron, Samuel's son (Be359.), b 12.13.1858, Waubeek, Linn Co., IA, d 8.28.1928, Mt. Hope, WA (DCRN:28-433, Spokane, WA); m 4.19.1882 (Judith has m rec), Sioux City, Woodbury Co., IA, to Catherine

Gertrude Smith, b 3.13.1860, Elizabeth, NJ, d 5.28.1945, Spokane, WA (DCRN:45-565, Olympia, WA); res (1905): Fairfield, WA; their 7 CH (according to Judith): (1) George, (2) Edna, (3) **Don**, (4) Verna, (5) Clara, (6) Manilla, and (7) Ivan Leon Cameron; their selected DESC:

?DBA. George E. Cameron, b 3.18.1883, Mandan, ND, d 3.23.1949, Portland, OR, m 2.24.1906, Ellen Hughes, b 1880, d 1970.

?DBb. Edna Edith Cameron, b 11.6.1885, Mt. Hope WA, d 7.23.1913, Mt. Hope, WA.

?DBC. Don Thomas Cameron, b 9.24.1888, Mt. Hope, WA (according to Judith), d 9.7.1940, Ft. Benton, MT (Judith has copy of his **Will** but has not indicated the names of children in this **Will**, reg. Ft. Benton, Chouteau Co., MT; obit. in **The River Press** of Ft. Benton, 9.11.1940, and for the same date in **The Geraldine Review**, Geraldine, MT). Don was m to Lillian May Lasswell, Henry's dtr, b 4.1.1890, Yakima, WA, d 3.9.1933, Helena, MT; their 7 CH (according to Judith) are: **(1) Rolande**, (2) Byron, (3) Cecil, (4) Laura, (5) Gerald, (6) Rosalie, and (7) Morris Richard Cameron; their selected DESC:

?DBCA. Rolande Raymond Cameron, Don's son (**Will** in Judith's possession), b 2.27.1915, Mt. Hope, WA, m 2.2.1941, Fort Benton, MT (MCRN:41-3590, Ft. Benton, MT), to Irene May Blyth, Roy's dtr, b 8.4.1922, Geraldine, Chouteau Co., MT; res (1978): (?), U.S. Army, 39492148, AC-ERC. Their only CH:

?DBCAa. Judith Mae Cameron, b 1.30.1942, Great Falls, MT (BCRN:42-19178, Helena, MT; BCRN:42-230, Great Falls, MT); m 10.26.1974, Great Falls, Cascade Co., MT (MCRN:MF1-FR6775, Helena, MT) to Andrew Richardson Fraser, son of Andrew R., b 1945, Scotland; U.S. Air Force; res (1978): overseas in England, PSC Box 2685, APO, 09238; their two CH:

?DBCAaA. Andrew Richardson Fraser, b 8.9.1975, Lajes Field, Terceira Island, The Azores, Portugal (birth reg. Lisbon, Port.; US BCRN:?, also on file in NYC, NY, "Overseas U. S. Military Birth).

?DBCAab. Catherine Irene Fraser, b 9.24.1976, Lajes Field, Terceira Island, The Azores (birth reg. in Lisbon, Port., and in NYC, NY, "Overseas U. S. Military Birth").

?DBCB. Byron James Cameron, b 8.27.1916, Clearlake, MT, m 1939, MT, Josephine Fleda Blyth, b 1920, sister of Irene, who m Byron's brother Rolande.

?DBCC. Cecil Robert Clare Cameron, b 2.20.1919, Clearlake, MT, d 7.13.1921, Clearlake, MT.

?DBCd. Laura Adele Cameron, b 10.4.1922, Clarkston, WA, m 1940, MT, div. 1965, Robert Henry Schultz, b 1914.

?DBCE. Gerald Dean Cameron, b 3.27.1924, Clearlake, MT, d 2.18.1942, Ft. Benton, MT.

?DBCf. Rosalie Elizabeth Cameron, b 4.22.1926, Geraldine, MT, m **first** John M. Payne, m **secondly** Howard J. Stewart, m **thirdly** George H. Moore.

?DBCG. Morris Richard Cameron, b 4.29.1928, Clearlake, MT, d 7.2.1975, Hammond, IL, m **first** Patricia J. Aylward, **secondly** Virginia I. Smith, and **thirdly** Virginia Burdette.

?DBd. Verna Sarah Cameron, b 11.26.1892, Mt. Hope, WA, d 4.1966, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, m 1909/10, Kenneth William Stevens, d 3.1951, Olds, Alberta, Canada.

?DBe. Clara Ann Cameron, b 9.18.1895, Mt. Hope, WA, m 6.1920, Rollin Eugene DeFord, b 1891.

?DBf. Manilla Catherine Cameron, b 5.1.1898, Mt. Hope, WA, d 11.20.1965, Worley, ID, m 9.3.1919, Guiles Walter Boswell, b 1897, d 11.20.1965, Worley, ID.

?DBG. Ivan Leon Cameron, b 11.1900, Mt. Hope, WA, d 2.1920.

?Dc. Priscilla Cameron, Samuel's dtr (Be359.), b 1861, IA, m **first** (anon.) Smith, m **secondly** (anon.) Snyder; res (1905): Charter Oak, IA.

?DD. William Cameron, b 1862, IA, bur. Mapleton, IA.

?De. Jane (Jennie) Cameron, b 1862, Danbury, IA, m (anon.) Martin; res (1905): Danbury, IA.

?DF. Lafayette Cameron, b 3.31.1863, Danbury, Woodbury Co., IA, d 4.25.1884, a bachelor, bur. Mapleton, Monona Co., IA.

?Dg. Cora E. Cameron, Samuel's dtr (Be359.), b 1867, IA, d 8.1946, m Walter Hand; res (1905): Danbury, IA.

?Dh. Clara Cameron, Samuel's dtr (Be359.), b 1870, IA, m (anon.) Williams; res (1905): Bancroft, NE.

?DI. David Dennis Cameron, Samuel's son (Be359.), twin, b 1871/2, Danbury, IA, d 10.1949, Mapleton, IA (also 1905 res.); m 6.1891, Dora Carhart, b 1871, d 1956.

?DJ. John Cameron, twin, b 1871/2, Danbury, IA, d inf.

?DK. Marquis (Mark) Miles Cameron, Samuel's son (Be359.), b 1877/8, Danbury, Woodbury Co., IA, d 5.27.1952, m 1896/7, Hannah Keleher, b 1872, d 1935; res (1905): Danbury, IA.

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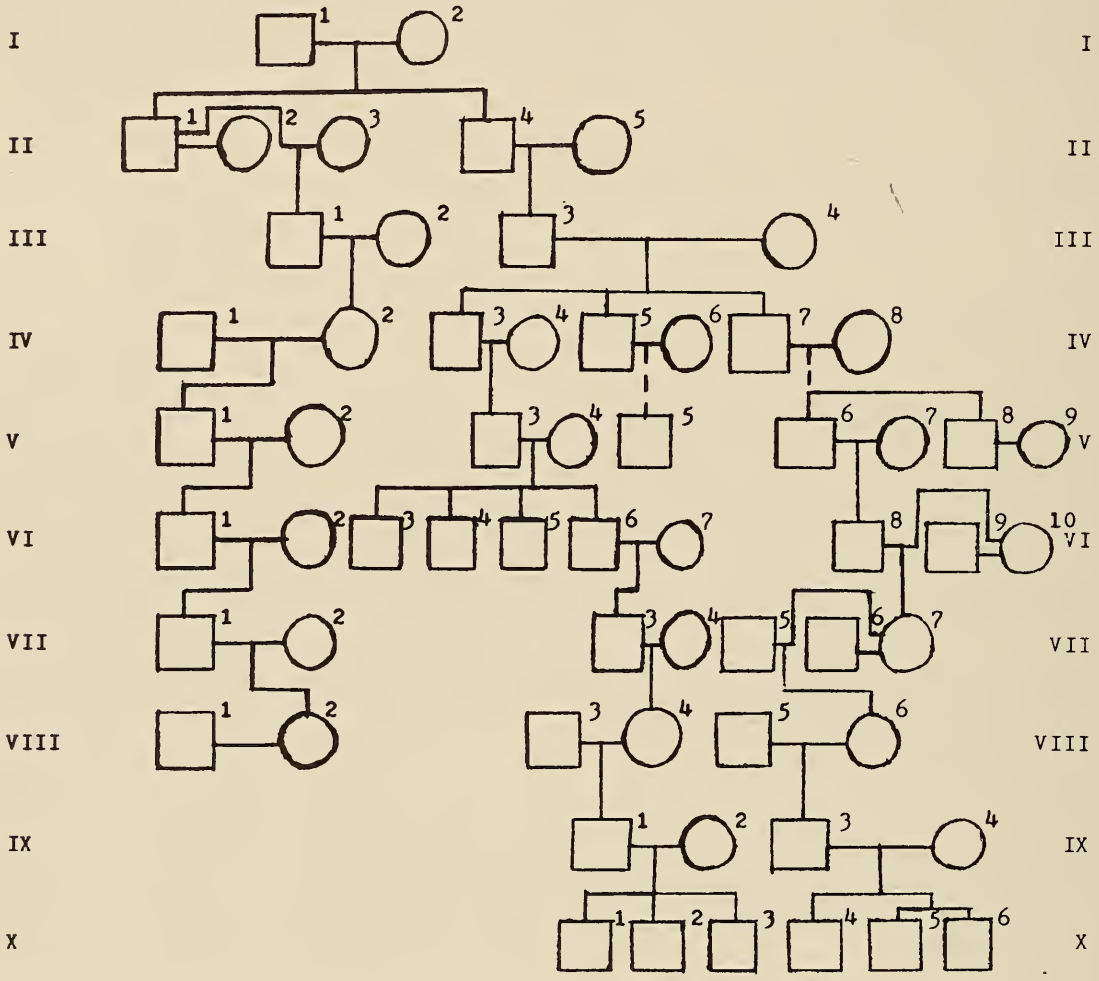
SOURCES OF EVIDENCE FOR THE BENTLEY FAMILY GROUP

Items **Be1.** through **Be30.** indicate the sources of evidence (primary, secondary, etc.) that this searcher had used in writing the paper entitled "Establishing the Bentley Connections in 1977" prior to his trip during the summer of 1977, from Long Beach, CA, on July 3, to Boston, MA (for two weeks); to Decorah, IA (for two days); to Rochester, MN (for two days); to New Ulm, MN (for about two weeks); to Salt Lake City, UT (for five days); to Coronado, CA (overnight); and return to Long Beach, CA (for reflection).



BENTLEY CONNECTIONS

ESTABLISHING THE
BENTLEY CONNECTIONS IN 1977

I.1. **WILLIAM BENTLEY,** 20, 26A, 27.
I.2. **Sarah,** 26A, 27; Sarah ("--?--"), 20.
II.1. William Bentley, 20, 23, 24, 26AB, 28.
II.2. "--?--," 20, 26B; perpetuated error ("Mary Elliot")!
II.3. Bathsheba Greene, 20, 23, 24, 25, 26B, 28.
II.4. **Thomas Bentley,** 20, 22, 26AD (?), 21B (??).
II.5. **Elizabeth Chamberland,** 20, 22, 26D (?).
III.1. Greene Bentley, 20, 23, 26B, 28.
III.2. Dianna Strait, 20, 28.
III.3. **Benjamin Bentley** ("Jr."), 20, 26D, 21B (??).
III.4. **Sarah Shippee,** 20, 21B, (?).
IV.1. Jacob Teeples, 20, 28.
IV.2. Rhoda Bentley, 20, 28.
IV.3. Caleb Bentley, 20, 21B, 22B (?), 26D (?).
IV.4. Leah ("Elizabeth") Spencer, 20, 21B.
IV.5. (Anonymous) Bentley, 15B, 21B.
IV.6.
IV.7. **Samuel Bentley and/or SAMUEL BENTLEY**, 13C (?), 15E, 16A, 16C; 20, 21B.
IV.8. Anonymous spouse, 15E.
V.1. George Bentley Teeples, 20.
V.2.
V.3. Nathan Bentley, Sr., 20.
V.4. Mercy Nichols, 20.
V.5. William Bentley, 16C, 16D, 15B (15 **et al**), 13B (13 **et al**).
V.6. **REUBEN BENTLEY,** 13A, 15C, 15E, 16A, 16B.
V.7. **POLLY** -----, 13A.
V.8. Ira Bentley, 13C (?), 15D, 15E, 16E.
V.9. Sally Beam (by inference), 13C (?) (14), 15D.
VI.1. (--?--) Teeples, 20.
VI.2.
VI.3. Russell D. Bentley, 20.
VI.4. William Bentley, 17, 18, 19, 20; 10E.
VI.5. Nathan Bentley, 17, 18, 19, 20.
VI.6. James L. Bentley, 17, 18 (12B-?), 19, 20.
VI.7. Jemima Retolick (speculation, unc.) (12B-?)[1]
VI.8. **MIRON BENTLEY**, 11, 12A, 13A, 17, 18, 19.
VI.9. **WILLIAM SARLES, JR.**, 8, 10F, 19.
VI.10. **HANNAH BADGEROW**, 4, 5 (see 6), 7, 8, 9, 10F, 11, 12A.
VII.1. (---?---) Teeples, 20.
VII.2.
VII.3. Lafayette Bentley, 18.
VII.4.
VII.5. **JOHN SARLES**, 10C.
VII6. James Winmill, 3, 7.

[1]Later proven to be in error; VI.7., wife of James L. Bentley, was Clarinda Crawford (see Be192.). Other "James Bently" remains unidentified.

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VII.7. **ALMIRA HANNAH BENTLEY**, 3, 5 (see 6), 7, 10C, 11.
VIII.1. Leslie W. Jones, Jr., 20.
VIII.2. Alvera Teeples, 20, 28.
VIII.3. Laudlow Sheppard, 18.
VIII.4. Nina Bentley, 18, 19.
VIII.5. **JOHN C. STEWART**, 2.
VIII.6. **SARAH ELIZABETH SARLES** ("Winmill"), 2, 7.
IX.1. Caldwell Sheppard, 18.
IX.2. Alida Van Dijk, 18.
IX.3. RALPH JOHN STEWART, 1, 2.
IX.4. VINNIE MERCEDES GJERE, 1.
X.1. Brian Sheppard, 18.
X.2. Glenn Sheppard, 18.
X.3. Gregory Sheppard, 18.
X.4. CAMERON RALPH STEWART, 1.
X.5. JOHN LOUIS STEWART, 1.
X.6. JAMES ADIN STEWART, 1.

Evidence was gathered (sources given in the pages that follow) during research proving or showing beyond any doubt that the following numbers for the preceding names are for identical persons as shown. V.5. represents the "son" of IV.5. and IV.6.; V.5. was later identified as the "son" of IV.3. and IV.4.; therefore IV.5. represents the same person as IV.3., and IV.6. represents the same person as IV.4.; **i.e.** V.5. represents the brother of person V.3. The next identification is that of IV.7. representing the brother of IV.3.; IV.7. represented the uncle of V.5. and now is the uncle of V.3. and the brother of IV.3. In other words, "Samuel Bentl(e)y, b 1746, Exeter, RI Colony, is the very same "SAMUEL BENTL(E)Y" of Markham, York Co. (now a part of the Province of Ontario, Canada), who petitioned for land in "Upper Canada" in Markham on August 18, 1800.

The Bentley-story consists of tracing (1) this searcher's Bentl(e)y ancestors to the Bentl(e)y-family progenitor in Rhode Island, a native of England, and (2) the progenitor's selected descendants. Contrary to the statements of **most** Bentley-family genealogists and most of the so-called "knowledgeable descendants," this searcher **insists** that the home in England, where the progenitor was born, was **Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England.** Corroborating evidence in Bedfordshire is being examined.

Be1. Birth Certificate Registration:

CAMERON RALPH STEWART, BCRN:3469-27 (MN);
JOHN LOUIS STEWART, BCRN:3230-30 (MN); and
JAMES ADIN STEWART, BCRN:3231-30 (MN).

Be2. The **Holy Bible** record of SARAH ELIZABETH SARLES STEWART (known as "Miss Sarah Winmill" on presentation date, June 12, 1885). The marriage of SARAH to JOHN STEWART is recorded as are the birth dates of their children including RALPH JOHN STEWART, whose name is recorded as JOHN RALPH STEWART, born March 24, 1896. In 1977 the **Bible** was in the possession of Grandson CAMERON RALPH STEWART.

Be3. Tombstone inscription in the Colburne Cemetery near Auburn and Colburne (Goderich area), Huron County, Ontario, Canada: "James Winmill, 1835-1920, and wife ELMIRA H. BENTLEY, 1833-1922."

Be4. **The Globe** newspaper, Toronto, Thursday, January 13, 1885: HANNAH BADGEROW BENTLEY SARLES died on Saturday, January 10, 1885, Brougham, Ontario.

Be5. Last Will and Testament of William H. Bentley, dated August 23, 1866, Whitby Township, Ontario County, Ontario, Canada; recorded December 7, 1866, Lib. 112, Pickering, page 4113, No. 28314. The executors were Thomas C. Hubbard, Yeoman, and William Henry Michell, Gentleman, both of the Township of Pickering; the executrix was "my dear Mother HANNAH SARLES, late BENTLEY." He requested that a marble monument be erected in the Burial Ground of the Christian Meeting House at Brougham, Pickering Township, and that the names of his parents and of himself be inscribed. Named in the will were his brothers and sisters: Simpson Bentley, Martinas Bentley, ALMIRA WINDMILL (WINMILL), Mary Hubbard, and Frances Dafoe, all born Bentley. The witnesses were M. Margaret Wilson, Whitby Twp., Spinster, and Hannah Sarles, Whitby Twp., Spinster.

Be6. **Directory of the County of Hastings, 1864-65**, Belleville: Mackenzie Bowell, 1865. Township of Elzevir: Bentley, Simpson, Yeoman, 2 Concession, Lot 16.

Be7. The 1861 Census Report, Whitby West, Ontario County, E. D. 5, pages 67-68; Microfilm Reel C-1058, P. A. C., Ottawa; for Concessions 8 and 9; age is based on next birthday. The names are, in part:

SARLES, HANNAH, b U. S., Christian, age 57, Widow;
Bently, Wm, b U. C., religion — none, age 20, single;
Windmill, James, Cooper, b L. C., religion — Church of England, age 26, married;
WINDMILL, ALMIRA, b U. C., Church of England, age 25, married;
Sarles, Armedia, b U. C., age 9, attending school (Armedia::Almedia);
Sarles, Frk, b U. C., age 3 (Frk::Frederick); and
SARLES, SARAH, b U. C., age 2.

Be8. Instrument 4245, Whitby Twp., November 29, 1855, WILLIAM SARLES and his wife, HANNAH SARLES, mother of Simpson Bentley.

Be9. Last Will and Testament of MARTINAS BADGEROW, Instrument 728, Markahm Twp., **not** "Old York," York County, Ontario, August 11, 1853, registered October 15, 1870; on file in the County Registry Office, Toronto, Ontario. In the will are written the names of his children, including HANNAH, and his wife MARGARET. Some of his grandchildren are also named.

Be10. Marriage Records. **The Home District Marriage Registers, 1831-1857**; Ontario Provincial Archives, Toronto (extracted by searcher William Britnell of Mississauga, Ontario).

Be10.A. Albert Bentley and Sibbie Sorrels (Sarles — correction), m 16 October 1848 in Whitby, by banns, by Rev. Robert Barrie; witnesses William and Mary Hubbard. Mary Hubbard was Mary Bentley.

Be10.B. William Hubbard of Pickering and May Bentley of Whitby, m 25 May 1848 in Whitby, by license, by Thomas Davidson, Baptist Minister; witnesses Albert Bentley and Louisa Hubbard. "May" Bentley is Mary Bentley.

Be10.C. JOHN SORRELLS and ALMIRIA BENTLEY, m 17 September 1850 in Pickering, by banns, by Rev. Robert Barrie; witnesses Wm and Mary Hubbard. JOHN SORRELLS is JOHN SARLES and ALMIRIA BENTLEY is ALMIRA BENTLEY.

Be10.D. William Grahoms and Eunice Bentley, both of Whitby, m 30 July 1845 in Whitby, by banns, by Israel Marsh, Baptist Minister; witnesses Johnson Grahams and Mary Bentley. Eunice Bentley has not been identified with parents or kin.

Be10.E. William Bently, Elizabeth Woodruff, both of Pickering, m 10 September 1836 in Whitby, by banns, by Robert Corson, Methodist Episcopal Minister; witnesses William F. Moore, Erastus Howard.

Be10.F. Vol. II, page 220. WILLIAM SARLS, Whitby, m 13 October, 1845, Pickering, to HANNAH BENTLY, Pickering, by banns; witnesses William Bentley and Elizabeth Bentley; minister, Rev. Israel Marsh, Baptist, Whitby. WILLIAM SARLS is WILLIAM SARLES, and HANNAH BENTLY is HANNAH BADGEROW BENTLEY.

Be11. Last Will and Testament of MIRON BENTLEY, dated January 27, 1844, Township of Pickering, Ontario County, Ontario, Canada (at "Toronto, Home District, Canada"); recorded May 30, 1866, Pickering, page 27517, registered in Book No. 7, fol. 188, Surrogate Court, Letters of Probate. The will was written on December 13, 1843; the executors were Jehiel Churchill, Pickering Township, and Thomas Hubbard. Witnesses were James Cassie and Simon Prett. On January 1, 1848, Martinas Bentley made his mark in the presence of William Sanly and Sarah Churchill. Named in the will were his wife HANNAH and children: Albert Bentley, Martinas Bentley, Simpson Bentley, William Bentley, Mary, ALMIRA,

and Faney. The first letter of "Sanly" is illegible; substitute Fanny and/or Frances for Faney.

Be12. Marriage Records. Clark, A. J., "Rev. William Jenkins of Richmond Hill," **The Papers and Records of the Ontario Historical Society**, Toronto, 1930; Jenkins, Rev. William, Marriage Register, 1819-1843, Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church. Copies were located (1975) in the Ontario Provincial Archives, Toronto, and in the Flint Main Library, Flint, MI.

Be12.A. On January 7, 1823, MERUM BENTLY and HANNAH BADGEROW were married in Markham; witnesses: Philip Badgerow and Truman Pennock. "MERUM" BENTLY is MIRON BENTLEY.

Be12.B. On January 10, 1842, James Bently married Jemima Retolick in Markham; witnesses: David Badgero, Elijah Elmsly. This James Bently has not been positively identified with parents or kin.

Be13. The "Berczy Census Report of 1804 for Markham Township," Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa, Ontario; ref. M. G. 23, HII, 6, Vol. 1, pages 65-72. This source was located and reported by searcher William Britnell of Mississauga, Ontario, who recognized the name of "MIRUN BENTLEY" as possibly that of one of this searcher's ancestors. Britnell recalled seeing the name in the census report just one day before he received my query. The P.A.C. sent xerox copies to this searcher on 11.10.1976, verifying the information. **See Appendix F.**

Be13.A. BENTLEY, REUBEN, **age 30**; wife, POLLY, age 28; children include: Mary Bentley, age 7; MIRUN BENTLEY, age 5; Almira Bentley, age 2; Fanny Bentley, age 1. Location of their land was given as Lot 1 of Con. 5, Markham Twp., Old York County.

Be13.B. Bentley, William, age 30; wife **Anna**, age 30; children named: **Hanna Bentley**, age 9; **Gardner Bentley**, age 6; and **Randel Bentley**, age 3. Location of their land was given as Lot 3 of Con. 5, Markham Twp., Old York County, Ontario.

Be13.C. Bentley, ---- illegible first name, appears as write-over: "John" (?) and/or "Ira" (?), indiscernible. Other sources indicate the name to be that of "**Ira Bentl(e)y**." Ira's age was given as 23 and that of his wife **Sally**, 22. Their children were named as **Lidia**, age 3; **Samuel**, age 2; and **Jacob**, age 1. Location of their land was given as Lots 4 and 5 of Con. 6, Markham Twp. Their land was "bought of **Samuel and W'm Bentley**."

Be14. Reid, W. D., **The Loyalists in Ontario, The Sons and Daughters of The American Loyalists of Upper Canada**, Lambertville, NJ: Hunterdon House, 1973, p. 39.

Ira Bentley's brother-in-law **Jacob Beam, Jr.**, married **Mary Buckner** (various spellings of her surname), daughter of **Mathias Buchner, U.E.L.** Her O.C. land grant was dated 29 August 1797. **Jacob Beam, Jr.**, was found to have been the brother of **Sarah (Sally) Beam**. They were offspring of **Jacob Beam**, Beamsville, Ontario. See ref. **Be51.** located during research in 8.1977, Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT.

Be15.(revised). UC Land Petitions for five Bentl(e)ys: SAMUEL, REUBEN, Elijah, Ira, and William.

According to the Chief of the Pre-Confederation Archives Manuscripts, Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa (1979), the originals of the Upper Canada Land Petitions for the five Bentleys (SAMUEL, REUBEN, Elijah, Ira, and William) are too fragile to be copied by other means than by photoduplication of the reader-printer copies made from the microfilm reel **C-1621**. Although notes were taken in **1967** from another microfilm copy on file in the Provincial Archives in Toronto, Ontario, this searcher, upon re-examination of these petitions, decided to publish exact copies of them in this book.

To locate the microfilm of the petitions, a copy of the "Microfilm Shelf List" for the **Upper Canada Land Index for Land Petitions (RG-1, L-3)** was consulted in 1979, to correctly identify the microfilm reel for the Bentl(e)ys. The reel was identified as Reel **C-10811**. The next step was to order the reel (up to three reels permissible) by an interlibrary loan arrangement through the Long Beach City Library.

Examination of Reel **C-10811** disclosed the existence of the desired petitions, their corresponding file numbers, and the fact that the petitions had been recorded on Microfilm Reel **C-1621**. Upon receipt of the reader-printer copies and permission to publish them, this searcher employed the very dependable photographer Harry Merrick of Long Beach, CA, to produce the necessary black-and-white glossy photos for the printer.

This primary source of documentary evidence establishes the genealogical relationship among the members of the family of ancestor SAMU(E)L BENTL(E)Y (**VII.25., Be:FDDD.**) and also between SAMUEL and his nephew William (**Be:FDDAC.**).

A special note on Microfilm Reel C-10811, Index to the Upper Canada Land Petitions (RG-1, L-3) and the Executive Council Minute Books in Land Matters (RG-1, L-1), read as follows. "The shelf list of RG 1, L1 (commonly known as the Land Books or Land Book Indexes) and RG 1, L3 (The Land Petitions) should be used to determine the **Volume** in which an item is located and the **Reel** on which that volume will appear. The original documents have been withdrawn from circulation, for purposes of conservation treatment. Researchers must use the microfilm copy."

Another special note, regarding RG-1, L-3, Upper Canada and Canada: Petitions for land grants and leases, 1791-1867, Volumes 1-364 (66.7 m), read as follows. "Petitions submitted to the Executive Council of Upper Canada and the united Province of Canada by applicants for land grants and leases, 1791-1867, were referred to the Land Committee and cause to form a distinct series of records. Included with the petitions are a variety of reports, certificates and other documentation submitted in support of individual requests, as well as occasional lists of settlers. Petitions referred to the district

(Land Boards prior to establishment of a centralized system for land grants are to be found in series L-4).

Sixteen records for Bentl(e)ys were indexed in Microfilm Reel C-10811, by P.A.C., Central Microfilm Unit, 79 Bentley Avenue, Ottawa, Ontario. Copies of the records for the names in boldface print were later obtained from the Public Archives of Canada, Research and Inquiries Section, 395 Wellington, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada K1A ON3.

(1) Bentley, Amos, Malahide, 1848, UC Land Petitions, B 4/163.
(2) Bentley, Amos, UC Land Book Index, 1847-1848, p 442.
(3) Bentley, Christopher H., UC Land Book Index, 1844-1846, p 36.
(4) Bentley, Christopher H., Emily, 1844, UC Land Pet., B 3/14.
(5) **Bentley, Elijah**, UC Land Book D, 1797-1802; 536.
(6) **Bentley, Elijah, Clinton, 1800, UC Land Pet's, B 5/31. MR C-1621.**
(7) **Bentley, Ira**, UC Land Book D, 1797-1802; 720.
(8) **Bentley, Ira, Clinton, 1801, UC L Pet. B 5/85. MR C-1621.**
(9) **BENTLEY, REUBEN,** UC Land Book D, 1797-1802, 536.
(10) **BENTLEY, REUBEN, York, 1800, UC Land Pet's, B 5/54. MR C-1621.**
(11) **BENTLEY, SAMUEL**, UC Land Book D, 1797-1802, 536.
(12) **BENTLEY, SAMUEL**, UC Land Book D, 1797-1802, 724.
(13) **BENTLEY, SAMUEL, York, 1800, UC L Pet, B 5/92. MR C-1621.**
(14) **Bentley, Samuel**, re: Robert Cleveland; Raleigh, 1846, Canada Land Pet's, C 4/177, 1847-1848. MR C-1736.
(15) **Bentley, William**, UC Land Book D, 1797-1802; 747.
(16) **Bentley, William, Markham, 1801, UC Land Pet's, B 5/32.**

Upper Canada Land Petitions, "B" Bundle 5, 1797-1802, on microfilm were examined by this searcher at the Ontario Provincial Archives, Toronto, Ontario, and notes were taken 7.25.1967. Photographs were made in 1979 of the complete petitions and they with corresponding printed copies appear in the text for these five identified and classified Bentl(e)y petitioners (see each individually). The 1979 source is the Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa: Upper Canada Land Petitions, RG-1, L-3, B5 on Microfilm Reel C-1621.

(1) Elijah Bentl(e)y, **Be:FDDDC.** (Be15.A.);
(2) William Bentl(e)y, **Be:FDDAC.** (Be15.B.);
(3) REUBEN BENTL(E)Y, **BE:FDDA.** (Be15.C.);
(4) Ira Bentl(e)y, **Be:FDDDE.**, (Be15.D.); and
(5) SAMU(E)L BENTL(E)Y, **Be:FDDD.** (Be15.E.).

Be15.A. Petition 31. Bentley, Elijah, Farmer, York — no date for petition, although it was recorded 19 Aug. 1800 — likely 18 August 1800: ". . . That your Petitioner came into the Province upwards of 12 months ago, & rented a piece of Land in the Township of Clinton, which he sowed — that in January last he brought in his family, consisting of a wife and three children, now in Clinton . . ." — Clinton Township, Lincoln County, Niagara District, Upper Canada.

This marginal note appears on the petition: ". . . The Petitioner's Father and **Brother REUBEN BENTLY** are likewise come into the Province — the latter has his family with him — his father is returning for his — " **Elijah Bently** (signature).

Be15.B. Petition 32. Bentley, William, York, 24 Nov. 1801: ". . . That your petitioner came into the Province about a year ago, with his family, now consisting of Five children, his wife having died about two months ago — . . . That your petitioner is desirous to settle in Markham where **his uncle and other relations** reside . . ." **William Bentley** (signature) of Markham.

Be15.C. Petition 54. BENTLEY, REUBEN, York, 18 August 1800: ". . . That your Petitioner is lately come into the province with his **Father SAMUEL BENTLEY**, two Brothers & their families — and 2 brothers in Law — and that Your Petitioner has a Wife and two **Children** & a Prentice Lad, 18 years of age —" **REUBEN BENTLEY** (signature).

Be15.D. Petition 85. Bentl(e)y, Ira, York, 31 August 1801: ". . . That Your Petitioner has been about two years in the Province, and is married to a **Daughter of Jacob Beam** of the above named Township . . ." "Ira Bently" signed with an **X** (his mark).

Attached to the petition was a note of introduction from **Rob't Nelles** (signature), dated August 28th 1801: ". . . **Ira Bently** Came into this Province about two years ago, and Since then, resided in the Township of Clinton; he has a wife and one Child — he has two horsses one Cow & Some young Cattle —"

On his petition it was stated that his father, **three** brothers, and **three** other relations were living in Markham.

Be15.E. Petition 92. BENTL(E)Y, SAMU(E)L, Blacksmith & Scythe maker, York, 18 August 1800: ". . . That your Petitioner is lately come into the Province, with three **Sons Reuben, Elijah, & Ira Bently — with their families —** also **two Sons in Law — Joseph Plumb & Moses Bamford —** who have not their families in their Province — and that **your Petitioner is about to return for the remainder of His family consisting of a wife & two younger Children.** Your Petitioner shewed himself a steady Loyalist during the American War. . . " **SAMUL BENTLY** (signature).

Records in the Upper Canada Land Book D, 1797-1802, for the five Bentl(e)ys follow:

^{0}P. 536, Elijah Bentley w. "Praying for lands as a Settler. Recommended for 200 Acres on Yonge Street or Markham." 19th August 1800.

P. 747, William Bentley of Markham. "Praying for lands as a Settler. Recommended for 200 Acres on Yonge Street or Markham." 8th December 1801.

P. 536, REUBEN BENTLEY w. "Praying for lands as a Settler. Recommended for 200 Acres Yonge Street or Markham." 19th August 1800.

P. 720, Ira Bentley of Clinton w. "Praying for lands as a Settler. Recommended for 200 Acres subject to the Settling Duties. 1st September 1801.

P. 536, SAMUEL BENTLY. "Praying for lands as a Settler. Family not in the Province." 19th August 1800.

P. 724, SAMUEL BENTLEY w. "Praying for lands on Yonge Street, or in Markham as a Settler. Recommended for 200 Acres under the Settling Duties." Council Chamber at York, 8th Sept. 1801. Members of the Board were The Hon'l John Elmsley, Chief Justice; The Hon'l Peter Russell; and Hon'l David William Smith.

Be16. Deeds for Old York County, Ontario; Microfilm, Ontario Provincial Archives (notes of 7.24.1967).

Be16.A. Abstracts of Deeds and O.C. Dates, Markham Twp., Old York County.

(1) HD/157: Con. 5—1279—RJ, Lot 3, SAMUEL BENTLEY, 17 November, 1808, 200 acres.

(2) HD/315: Con. 5—955, Lot 1, REUBEN BENTLEY, 12 February, 1805, 200 acres; O.C. 19 August 1800.

(3) HD/416: Con. 5—961—NA, Lot 4, William Bentley, 24 December, 1802, O.C. 8 December, 1802.

(4) HD/420: Con 8—963—NR, Lot 4, Elijah Bentley, 9 September, 1801, 200 acres, O.C. 19 August, 1800. Note: Elijah Bentley (# 682) in 1805 sold Lot 4 on Con. 8 to Samuel Lawrence.

Be16.B. Deed for Lot 1 on Con. 5, Markham.

Crown to REUBEN BENTLEY.

552 — REUBEN BENTLEY and wife (Milliken) (P.O.?) to James Osburn, 1805, 200 acres.

Be16.C. Deed for Lot 3 on Con. 5, Markham.

Crown to SAMUEL BENTLEY.

1245 — Wm Bentley, January 5, 1809; SAMUEL BENTLEY, grantor, of Twp. of Markham to William Bentley, Taylor, York Co.

1438 — SAMUEL BENTLY, SENIOR of Twp. Markham, Blacksmith, 1810, to Josiah Hemingway, W 50 a.

5746 — William Bentley, 1824, to Randle S. Bentley (signature: "**Randall S. Bentley**"); **between William Bentley of Twp. of West Greenwich in County of Kent in State of Rhode Island, yeoman, and Randall S. Bentley of Markham Twp., York County, Home District; witnessed by Aschel Fish of Markham Twp. and George Barclay, minister of Twp. of Pickering, Elder.**

7235 — William Bentley, 1830, to Randle S. Bentley.
29893 — Randel S. Bentley and wife to Andrew M. C. Graham, W½ 100 acres; 1847, to Wm George.

Be16.D. Deed for Lot 4 on Con. 5, Markham.
Crown to Wm Bentley.
5417— Wm Bentley to Samuel Bentley, Jr., 1824-25.
6690 — Sam Bentley and wife, 1827-29, to Michiel Feirheller.
?235 — Wm Bentley to Randall S. Bentley, 1830.
Wm Bentley to Joseph Armstrong.
17718 — Randall S. Bentley and wife, 1840.

Be16.E. Deed for Lot 5 on Con. 6, Markham Twp., Old York County.
Crown to Conjent Shivers.
648 — Shivers to Ira Bentley, 1805
1118 — Ira Bentley and wife to Joseph Reesor, 1808.
1447 — Ira Bentley to Daniel D. Hart, 1809.
1604 — Daniel D. Hart to Justin Badgerow, E¼, 1809-1811.
2754 — Ira Bentley to Elijah Bentley, W½, 1807-1816.
3503 — Elijah Bentley to Joseph Winn. 1819.
4713 — Elijah Bentley to Cornelius Diamond, 1822-1824.
____ — John Winn to Ambrose Noble.

Be17. Wood, William R., **Past Years in Pickering**, Sketches of the History of the Community, Toronto: William Briggs, 1911, pages 222-3. Copies in G.S. Lib., S.L.C., UT, and L.A. Main Lib., L.A., CA.

William Bentley, Nathan Bentley, and James L. Bentley were born in New York State near Syracuse. William came to Canada in 1829 and located on the 6th Concession. He opened the first store at what came to be known as Bentley's Corners in 1835. He died in 1860. Nathan came in 1831 and purchased the bush farm, Lot 32, Con. 9, where he resided continuously till his death in 1874. **James L.** came in 1835 and lived in Brougham till his death in 1866.

MIRON BENTLEY was born in 1798 and came to Canada when a young man.[1] He married HANNAH BADGEROW.[2] Their daughter, Mrs. William Hubbard,[3] born in 1829 still lives (1911) in Brougham. MIRON BENTLEY died in 1844 and his wife in 1885.

Be18. Miller, Robert A., **The Ontario Village of Brougham Past! Present! Future?**, pub. by author, Brougham, Ontario, 1973. pages 301-2.

Mr. Miller repeated the information regarding the Bentleys in the preceding source by Rev. W. R. Wood. Miller added:

William Bentley bought one acre at the corner of Brock Road and the 6th concession from Thomas Hubbard in 1846. He bought

[1] Miron was in Markham in 1804 at age 5 (see Source 13).

[2] HANNAH BADGEROW was the daughter of MARTINAS BADGEROW.

[3] Mrs. William Hubbard was Mary Bentley. Rev. Wood named no other Bentleys.

another acre in 1857, then in 1874 sold two acres to J. Venzant. **Dr. Lafayette Bentley**, son of **James Bentley**, bought the two acres back in 1914. **James Bentley** is listed in the records as 'pillmaker, 1853.' **Dr. Lafayette Bentley**, born October 22, 1845, died August 14th, 1918.

William Bentley had **four** daughters, and **Dr. Lafayette Bentley** had one daughter, **Nina,** who married **Laudlow Sheppard**. The Sheppards had two children, the late **Muriel Sheppard** and **Caldwell**, who married a girl from The Netherlands, **Alida Van Dijk**, and they are the parents of three boys — **Brian, Glenn,** and **Gregory**. **Nina Sheppard** makes her home with her son in Scarborough (1973).

Be19. Before she died, Mrs. Alfred (Ethel Maud Wilson) Hamilton of Brougham, Ontario (granddaughter of HANNAH BADGEROW BENTLEY SARLES and her second husband, WILLIAM SARLES, JR.), was interviewed in Brougham by this searcher. Maud claimed that **Mrs. Nina (Bentley) Shephard**, the daughter of **Lafayette Bentley** and granddaughter of **James L. Bentley**, had always contended that all of the Bentleys named in Rev. Wood's book (source 17) entitled **Past Years in Pickering** were related. William, Nathan, and James Bentley, the three brothers, were related to MIRON BENTLEY. If MIRON BENTLEY was a relative of theirs through his grandfather, SAMUEL BENTLEY, then the common ancestor for the four Pickering Bentleys might well be SAMUEL'S Father. See the following source (20).

Be20. This searcher, in March 1977, casually perused the Bentley-family group-sheets ("Archive Record" sheets) that he had much earlier obtained (1967) in the L.D.S. Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT. As a guest speaker, he was bringing this secondary source of documentary evidence to the attention of a high school "enrichment class" when he accidentally, but much more meaningfully, read to himself the names of **Samuel Bentley** and Samuel's grandnephews **William Bentley, Nathan Bentley, and James Bentley**. The group sheets were the result of the "research efforts" of Bentley descendants **Mrs. Leslie W. (Alvera Teeples) Jones, Jr.**, La Mesa, CA, and Salt Lake City, UT, and her great-grandfather **George Bentley Teeples.**

"Sources" that were acknowledged on three group sheets were abbreviated as: **First**, "Greenwich," **Vi Rec RI**, Vol. 5; **Onondaga Centennial, NY**, O 6 i Vol. 1, p 719; **1850 Census of Onondaga Co.**, F.N.Y. 1 pt 60 Van Buren, #220; **Bentley Family** F.F.H. 96. **Secondly, Bentley Family History**, F.F.H. 96, 3-27; F.F.H. 478; "Exeter and West Greenwich," **Vi Rec RI**, Vol. 5. **Thirdly**, **Reg. of Exeter, RI**, Series I, Vol. 5; **Bentley Family History**, F.F.H. 96, 3-27.

These sources were given on the group sheets for (1) Nathan, (2) Caleb, and (3) Benjamin Bentley, respectively. Although primary evidence was desirable (in RI), it was **not** readily available.

In the group sheets, the birth dates and places of the four named brothers, Russel D., William, Nathan, and James Bentley, were stated as 1802, Rhode Island; 1804, Onondaga Co., NY; 1806, Onondaga Co., NY; and 1808, Onondaga Co., NY, respectively. Their parents were also named: Nathan Bentley, b 1.24. 1777, West Greenwich, Washington Co., RI, d 1816, Onondaga Co., NY; and Mercy Nichols, b 2.8.1780, East Greenwich, Washington Co., RI (daughter of John Nichols and Rachel). The parents of Nathan Bentley, Sr. were included: Caleb Bentley, b 8.25.1739, Exeter, Washington Co., RI, and Leah Spencer, b 1741, resident of West Greenwich, Washington Co., RI, d 1826, West Greenwich, Washington Co., RI.

The aforementioned "Caleb Bentley" was named as the son of Benjamin Bentley, b ca 1712, Kingstown, Washington Co., RI, and Sarah Shippee, b ca 1716, res of Exeter, Washington Co., RI. Six children were credited to Benjamin Bentley and Sarah Shippee: (1) Caleb Bentley, b 8.25.1739, Exeter; (2) Joseph Bentley, b 3.25.1740/1741, Exeter; (3) Thomas Bentley, b 1.4.1742/1743, Exeter; (4) **Samuel Bentley, b 1.4.1746/1747, Exeter**; (5) Benjamin Bentley, b 5.5.1749, Exeter; and (6) Gideon Bentley, b 1750, Exeter, d 1858, Constantia, Oswego Co., NY.

Note the birth dates and places for Gideon's third and fourth children: Thomas, **b 1.13.1785, Exter**; Elizabeth, **b 1788, Stephentown, Rensselaer Co.**, formerly a part of Albany Co., **NY**. Group-sheet references included: **1850 Census**, F.N.Y. 1 pt 62, Oswego Co. Pt. 2; **Bentley** F.F.H. 96, #3-32; F.F#3-32; F.F.H. 478; 1790 Census (*i.e.*, **NY Heads of Families**, 1790).

The Need for Additional Documentary Evidence, June of 1977

A. In source **Be20**, is this "(4) Samuel Bentley, b 1.4.1746/1747, Exeter" in Rhode Island, the father of REUBEN BENTLEY and the grandfather of MIRON BENTLEY named SAMUEL BENTLEY, the blacksmith and scythe maker who showed himself a steady Loyalist during the American Revolutionary War?

B. Who **are** the parents of SAMUEL BENTLEY, SR. (father of REUBEN BENTLEY and grandfather of MIRON BENTLEY)?

C. Who is the brother of SAMUEL BENTLEY, SR. and the father of William Bentley, born ca. 1774? -- others?

D. What is the maiden surname of REUBEN BENTLEY'S wife POLLY?

E. What is the maiden surname of SAMUEL BENTLEY, SR.'S wife?

F. To support the written statement in 1824 by William Bentley on the Deed for Lot 3 on Con. 5, Markham, that he was of the Twp. of West Greenwich in County of Kent in State of Rhode Island, what evidence exists in Rhode Island?

G. What additional evidence can be found in the Pickering Twp. Census Reports of 1860 and 1870 or from living descendants to obtain the approximate birth dates of William, Nathan, and James L. Bentley, brothers, from New York State near **Syracuse, located in Onondaga County, NY?**

Be 21. Arnold, James N., **Vital Record of Rhode Island, 1636-1850**, First Series, Births, Marriages and Deaths. . . , Providence, RI: Narragansett Historical Publishing Company, 1894; **Volume 5**, "Washington County," Part III, "**Exeter**," pp 8 and 40.

Be21.A. Page 8. "Marriages," Exeter.

1-155 Bentley, Benjamin, and Hannah Bates, by Elder Samuel Albro, Aug. 23, 1761.

3-60. Bentley, Benjamin, Jr., and Ruth Fowler, by Elder James Weightman, Aug. 24, 1780.

3-34. **Bentley, Gideon**, of Exeter, and Elizabeth Neagers, of North Kingstown, by Elder James Weightman, April 5, 1781.

Be21.B. Page 40. "Births. . . ," Exeter.

1-201. **Bentley, Caleb**, of **Benjamin (Bentley), Junior,** and Sarah, Aug. 25, 1739.

1-201. Bentley, **Joseph**, of Benjamin, **Jr.**, and Sarah, March 25, 1740-1.

1-201. Bentley, **Thomas**, of Benjamin, **Jr.**, and Sarah, Jan. 4, 1743.

1-201. **Bentley, Samuel, of Benjamin (Bentley), Jr., and Sarah, Jan. 4, 1746.** See photo of record.

1-201. Bentley, **Benjamin**, of Benjamin, **Jr.**, and Sarah, May 5, 1749.

1-224. Bentley, Patience, of **Thomas** (Bentley), **Jr.**, and Margaret, July 22, **1752**.

1-224. (other children, born to Thomas, Jr., and Margaret, were given as Sarah, Benjamin, John, and Zerviah).

2-169. Bentley, Sarah, of **Caleb and Leah**, May 12, 1764.

2-169. Bentley, **Hannah**, of **Caleb and Leah**, Feb. 12, 1766.

2-169. Bentley, William, of **Caleb and Leah**, Jan. 17, **1768**.

"Note — Eldest born East Greenwich;
the others Exeter." (?)

1-170. Bentley, Niobe, of **Caleb and Martha**, Nov. 2, 1761.

3-34. Bentley, Isaac, of **Gideon and Elizabeth**, Aug. 12, 1781.

3-34. Bentely, Christopher, of **Gideon and Elizabeth**, July 6, 1783.

3-34. Bentley, Thomas, of **Gideon and Elizabeth**, Jan. 13, 1785.

Be22. *Ibid.*, Part I, "North Kingstown," pp 9 and 57-8.

Be22.A. Page 9. "Marriages."

Bentley, Thomas, and **Elizabeth Chamberland**; **m.** by John Eldred, Assistant, **June 6, (1706).**

Bentley, Thomas, and **Mary Reynolds**; m. by William Spencer, Justice, May 20. (**no year given**).

Be22.B. Page 57. "Births. . . "

Bentley, ____ **(son)**, of **Benjamin and Sarah**, **Aug. 22, 1739. (?)** Who are these? Compare with **Be21.B.**

Be23. *Ibid.*, Part VI, "Richmond." Page 24, "Births and Deaths."

2-278 **Bentley, Greene**, of **William and Bathsheba**, March 23, **1741**.

Be24. *Ibid.*, Part IV, "Westerly." Page 11. "Marriages."

2-79 **Bentley, William and Bathsheba Lewis**; m. by Samuel Wilbur, Justice, Aug. 1, **1734.**

Be25. *Ibid.*, Part II, "South Kingstown." Page 8. "Marriages."

1-106. **Bentley, Bathsheba**, of Richmond, R. I., and **John Bissell**, of North Kingstown, **March 29, 1761**.

Be26. Austin, J. O., **Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island**, "Bentley," pp. 19, 227, and 235-236. Reference was located in the Los Angeles City Library.

(A) The **Will** of **William Bentley** was executed and proved in 1720. The executors were his wife **Sarah** and son **Benjamin**. He left five shillings to his eldest son **William** and like amounts to sons **James** and **Thomas** and to daughter **Jane** "Whitman" (also "Wightman, Weightman"). To his son Benjamin, he left eight acres. To his wife Sarah, he left the rest of his personal property.

(B) Eldest son **William Bentley**, m **first** 4.21.1703, Stonington, CT, Mary Eliot, and had eight children by first wife.[1] He m **secondly** 8.1.1734, Bathsheba (----) Lewis (widow of Israel Lewis), and they had five children. All thirteen of William's CH were named in his **Will**, written 8.18.1748, proved 8.12.1760 (by Governor after petition of 5.1760), and executed by his wife Bathsheba. He had already left five shillings to his eldest son **John**, and he left like amounts to sons **George**, **Caleb**, and **Ezekiel**, eldest daughter **Elizabeth (Bentley) Potter**, dtrs **Tabitha (Bentley) Sweet**, **Ruhama (Bentley) James**, and **Mary (Bentley) James**. To his wife Bathsheba, he left all of his household goods and movable estate. The executrix was to sell the homestead and house that they had lived in when his son Benjamin reached the age of fourteen. She was to divide this income equally among his five youngest children, **viz**: **William**, **Thomas**, **James**, **Greene**, and **Benjamin Bentley**. He provided for his wife Bathsheba to receive all income of the whole estate, real and personal, and to rear his five youngest children.

(C) **James Bentley**, the second son, b in Kings Town, RI Colony, was m **first** to **Dorothy Albro**, dtr of Samuel and Isabel (Lawton) Albro. Their

[1]A woman named "Mary Eliot" did marry a "William Bentley," **not** of RI, but of CT; "Mary Eliot" was **not** the previous wife of the William Bentley who m Bathsheba (----) Lewis, widow. Unfortunately, this error found in J.O. Austin's brilliant work entitled **Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island** has been quoted and the error thus perpetuated. Mary Eliot m a man named "William Bentley" of Lebanon, CT (son of?). The eight CH of the first m of William Bentley of RI were born to his wife Elizabeth (----) (otherwise unidentified), according to E. Sarter, et al.

dtr was **Hannah Bentley**, b 3.25.1703. By his **second** wife Hannah, he had a dtr (name **not** stated), b 12.15.1718.

(D) **Thomas Bentley**, the third son, b Kings Town, RI, was m 6.6.1706, to **Elizabeth Chamberlin** (Chamberland, Chamberlain). He was a cordwainer, who became a Freeman in 1712. He and his father were named in a legal document of 3.1718. He "**may have been** identical with **Thomas Bentley**, of Exeter, who died 1778, and who mentions in his will, dated 6.15.1772, wife **Mary**, sons **William** and **Benjamin**, and **grandson Caleb**."[1]

(E) **Benjamin Bentley**, the fourth son, b Exeter, RI, d **1744 (?)**, m Miss **Rathbone**, dtr of Thomas and Mary (Dickens) Rathbone. He was a currier. He and his father were named in a legal document of 9.1719. On 8.29.1744, he gave a receipt for his wife's portion of the estate of her father. He was said to be of Exeter on 4.29.1750, when his son **William** m **Mary Sweet**, dtr of William Sweet. See Be27.

(F) **Jane Bentley**, dtr, m 1.16.1700, **John Wightman** (Whitman, Weightman), son of George and Elizabeth (Updike) Wightman, and they had 8 CH (named).

Be27. History of Washington and Kent Counties, RI, located in the Los Angeles City Library.

P. 666: "**Benjamin**, son of **William** and **Sarah Bentley**, d here (Town of Exeter, Washington Co., RI) in **1774**. His father was a currier of King's Towne, Rhode Island; his son's name was **William Bentley**."

Be28. Jones, Mrs. Leslie W. (Alvera Teeples), "Archive Record" sheet (open-filed), Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT.

Subject: "Greene Bentley."

Sources given: "Records of Gail W. Pritchard, Family **Bible** records," and others **not** detailed.

Relationships "established" among: **Greene Bentley**, William Bentley, Jr., Bathsheba Green, Rhoda Bentley, Dianna Strait, Jacob Teeples, and Alvera (Teeples) Jones, the third-great-granddaughter of Greene Bentley.

Be29. Reader, please note that a large number of perpetuated errors exist in this tertiary (?) source of "evidence." Jones, Mrs. Leslie W., Jr. (Alvera Teeples), claimed that three unrelated persons named "William Bentley" were related: "Archive Record" sheets located in the Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT, for (1) William Bentley, d 1720; (2) William Bentley, b ca 1642; and (3) William Bentley, b ca 1600, d 1691; named as

[1]This searcher has proven beyond any doubt the fact that this Thomas Bentl(e)y **is "identical with"** Thomas Bentl(e)y of Exeter, who d 1778, husband of Mary, father of William and Benjamin, and also grandfather of Benjamin's son Caleb Bentley.

son, father, and grandfather, respectively. The "sources" were given as: (1) "Utah Genealogical Society," (2) "Persecutions of the Baptists by the Boston Church," and (3) Newget's "Cavaliers and Pioneers of New Jersey."[1]

The first-named "William Bentley" **was said to have been** (?): born ca 1662 (?), Kingston, Washington Co., RI (?), **d 1720**, the son of William Bentley (?). William m **Sarah** Leithfield (Leitchfield, Litchfield) (?) (?), b ca 1653, was of Kingston, Washington Co., RI; their 6 **CH**(?): (1) **William** b ca 1675 (?); (2) **James**, b ca 1677 (?); (3) **Thomas**, b ca 1679 (?); (4) **Benjamin**, b ca 1682 (?); (5) **Jane** b ca 1683 (?); and (6) Robert Bentley **(?) (?)**, b ca 1685, d 1738.

The second-named William Bentley (?) **was said to have been:** b ca 1642, Elizabeth City, RI (?), son of William Bentley and Mary; he m unnamed spouse ca 1647; she was of Narragansett, Washington Co., RI. One child was named: William Bentley, b ca 1662 (?), Narragansett, Washington Co., RI, d 1720, m, Sarah Leitchfield (?) (no proof for this speculation).

The third-named William Bentley (?) **was said to have been** b ca 1600, England, d 1691, Kingston, Washington Co., RI, m Mary (-----), b ca 1602, England, d Elizabeth City, RI **(?)**; their 6 CH (?): (1) John, b ca 1622, England, d 1690, m Sarah Eldridge (?); (2) Alse, b ca 1624, England; (3) Mary Bentley, b ca 1636, Elizabeth City; (4) James Bentley, b ca 1638, Elizabeth City; (5) Thomas Bentley, b ca 1640, Elizabeth City; and (6) William Bentley, b ca 1642, Elizabeth City (?) (no proof of relationship to any known RI Bentley).

Be30. Index to the **New York Heads of Families** (C.R.) **for 1800.**

Name	Page	Reel	County
Bentley, Asel	338:5		Otsego
Bentley, Gideon	**778:8**		**Chenango**
Bentley, Gideon	**152:4**		**Onondaga**
Bentley, Gold	524:5		Otsego
Bentley, Henry	114:1		Dutchess
Bentley, John	188:7		Saratoga
Bentley, John	538:7		Saratoga

[1]Correction: Nugent, N. M., **Cavaliers and Pioneers, Abstracts of Virginia Land Patents and Grants 1623-1800** (in five volumes), Richmond (VA): Dietz, 1934, Vol. 1, Patent Book No. 1—Part 1, p. 5.

"**William Bentley**, 50 acres, Dec. 1, 1624, page 24. In the Corp. of **Elizabeth City**, a new planter who came to this country at his own charges in the **Jacob** in 1624. As his first divident, between Newport News and Blunt Point, adj. Giles Allington and Thos. Godbye."

Thanks to searcher Ed. M. Bentley of Seattle for calling this source of information to our attention. Elizabeth City was in VA and **not** in RI. The former county of Elizabeth City in Virginia now comprises the independent city of Hampton (since 1958).

Bentley, John	278:6	Washington
Bentley, Joseph	2118:6	**Washington**
Bentley, Niles	2114:2	Columbia
Bentley, Pardon	012:1	Dutchess
Bentley, Pardon, Jr.	057:1	Dutchess
Bentley, Rufus	438:5	Otsego
Bentley, Samuel	**778:8**	**Chenango**
Bentley, Samuel	**208:7**	**Saratoga**
Bentley, Susanna	013:1	Dutchess
Bentley, Taber	017:1	Dutchess
Bentley, Tellinghast	198:7	Saratoga
Bentley, Thomas	213A:2	Columbia
Bentley, William	788:8	Chenango
Bentley, William	207A:2	Columbia
Bentley, William	012:1	Dutchess
Bentley, William	136:1	Dutchess
Bentley, William	704A:3	Oneida
Bently	79:4	Montgomery
Bently, Agustis	2514:6	Washington
Bently, Benedick	105:6	Rensselaer
Bently, Benjamin	71:6	Rensselaer
Bently, Benjamin	219A:6	**Washington**
Bently, Betty	6:6	Rensselaer
Bently, Caleb	2528:6	Washington
Bently, Caleb	98:6	Rensselaer
Bently, Eidow	76:4	Montgomery
Bently, Eldred	99:6	Rensselaer
Bently, Ezekiel	70:6	Rensselaer
Bently, George	54A:7	Saratoga
Bently, Green, Jr.	261:4	Tioga
Bently, John	99:6	Rensselaer
Bently, John	104:6	Rensselaer
Bently, Joshua	104:6	Rensselaer
Bently, Nathan	219A:6	Washington
Bently, Polly	588:7	Saratoga
Bently, Randall	6:6	Rensselaer
Bently, Reuben	100:6	Rensselaer
Bently, Richard	162:4(?)	Onondaga
Bently, Rowland	2638:6	Washington
Bently, Sarah	253A:6	Washington
Bently, Thomas	2528:6	**Washington**
Bently, William	105:6	Rensselaer
Bently, William	279:6	Washington
Bently, **Benjamin**	261:4	Tioga

Be31. Selected NY Census Reports.

Be31.A. Heads of Families, 1790, New York, 1908; reprinted 1966 by Genealogical Pub. Co., Baltimore, MD.

Be31.B. Census Report of 1800 for Ontario Co., NY.

Be31.C. Census Report of 1810 for Ontario Co., NY.

Be32. Arnold, J.N., **Vital Record of Rhode Island, 1636-1850**, Providence, RI: Narraganset Historical Pub. Co., 1894. Particularly the following volumes and pages (numbered for towns within the counties). If the original record book and page numbers are discernible, they are recorded.

Be32.A. Vol. 1, Kent Co., "Warwick—Marriages:"

1:1 SHIPPEE, DAVID, of Maidfield (in England according to Arnold in his "names of places"), and MARGARET SCRANTON; m by Walter Todd, Asst., Aug. 15, 1664.

Identification: Ancestors X.197. and X.198.

Be32.B. Vol. 1, Kent Co., "East Greenwich—Marriages:"

2:102 Bentley, Nathan, of West Greenwich, son of Caleb, and Mercy Nichols, of John, of East Greenwich; m by Eld. Ellet Locke, July 6, 1801.

Ident.: Nathan Bentley, **Be:FDDAE.**

1:1 SHIPPEE, SAMUEL, and ANN LEITHFIELD (LITCHFIELD), Dec. 29, 1702 (m).

Likely ident.: Ancestors IX.99. and IX.100.

Be32.C. Vol. 1, Kent Co., "East Greenwich—Births:"

1:11 Shippee, Samuel, of SAMUEL and ANN, Feb. 28, 1702-3.

Probable ident.: brother of SARAH SHIPPEE, VIII.50.

Be32.D. Vol. 1, Kent Co., "West Greenwich—Marriages:"

2:160 Bentley, Isaac, of Caleb, of West Greenwich, and Martha Reynolds, of Francis of North Kingstown; m by John Allen, Justice, Court of Common Pleas, Sept. 23, 1804.

Ident.: Caleb Bentley, **Be:FDDA.** and son Isaac, **Be:FDDAE.**; Isaac's wife Martha Reynolds.

Be32.E. Vol. 1, Kent Co., "West Greenwich—Births and Deaths:"

2:116 Bentley, Nathan, of Caleb and Leah, Jan. 24, 1777.
2:116 Bentley, Isaac, of Caleb and Leah, Feb. 28, 1779.
2:116 Bentley, Betsey, of Caleb and Leah, Feb. 28, 1781.
2:116 Bentley, Sally, of Caleb and Leah, Mar. 4, 1783.
2:116 Bentley, Spencer, of Caleb and Leah, Apr. 23, 1787.
2:117 Bentley, Betsey Ann, of Spencer and Betsey, May 30, 1811.
2:117 Bentley, Spencer, died July 22, 1811.

Please see Be69.

Be32.F. Vol. 5, Washington Co., "North Kingstown—Marriages:"

---- Bentley, Jane and John Weightman, Jan. 6, 1700.

Ident.: "Daughter" of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y (Anc. X.193.) as named in his **Will**, "Jane Whittman" and her husband John Wightman, as spelled correctly.

---- BENTLEY, THOMAS, and ELIZABETH CHAMBERLAND; m by John Eldred, Assistant, June 6 (1706).

Ident.: Anc. IX.97. and IX.98.

---- BENTLEY, THOMAS, and Mary Reynolds; m by William Spencer, Justice, May 20, ----.

Ident.: Anc. IX.97. and second (?) wife, **not** the mother of his children.

---- Briggs, William, of N. Kingstown, and Deliverance Shippee, of East Greenwich; m by Benjamin Weight, Justice, May 18, 1740.

Ident.: Sister of ancestor SARAH SHIPPEE, VIII.50.

Be32.G. Vol. 5, Washington Co., "Exeter—Marriages:"

3:34 Bentley, Gideon, of Exeter, and Elizabeth Neagers, of North Kingstown, by Elder James Weightman, April 5, 1781.

Ident.: "Neagers" is likely "Negus" in its more commonly (?) spelled form as a surname in RI. Gideon Bentley, **Be:FDDF.**

Be32.H. Vol. 5, Washington Co., "Exeter—Births. . .:"

1:201 Bentley, Caleb, of BENJAMIN, JR., and SARAH, Aug. 25, 1739.

1:201 Bentley, Joseph, of BENJAMIN, JR., and SARAH, March 25, 1740-1.

1:201 Bentley, Thomas, of BENJAMIN, Jr., and SARAH, Jan. 4, 1743.

1:201 BENTLEY, SAMUEL, of BENJAMIN, JR., and SARAH, Jan. 4, 1746.

Ident.: SAMUEL BENTL(E)Y, anc. VII.25., **Be:FDDD.**, son of son of BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y, anc. VIII.49., **Be:FDD.**, and SARAH (SHIPPEE), anc. VIII.50. The "Jr." is insignificant.

1:201 Bentley, Benjamin, of BENJAMIN, JR., and SARAH, May 5, 1749.

Ident. The five sons named above are full brothers.

Be32.I. Ibid.

2:169 Bentley, Sarah, of Caleb and Leah, May 12, 1764.[1]

[1]born in East Greenwich (Arnold's note) (other evidence?).

2:169 Bentley, Hannah, of Caleb and Leah, Feb. 12, 1766.[1, 2]

2:169 Bentley, William, of Caleb and Leah, Jan. 17, "1768" (?).[3]

Be32.J. Ibid.

3:34 Bentley, Isaac, of Gideon and Elizabeth, Aug. 12, 1781.

3:34 Bentley, Christopher, of Gideon and Elizabeth, July 6, 1783.

3:34 Bentley, Thomas, of Gideon and Elizabeth, Jan. 13, 1785.

Be:33. Corresponding Cousin Karen Louise Berns Wheaton (**Be:FDDAF Igaaa.**). The documentary sources that Karen used in tracing her descent from Caleb Bentley (**Be:FDDA.**) including the brothers and sisters of her ancestors and her own children are indicated here. This searcher met Karen 7.6.77 in the NEHGS Library, Boston, by chance. Neither had previously known of the other.

33A. Family records in the possession of Karen L. B. Wheaton, Ann Arbor, MI.

33B. Parish Records, Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Ida, MI.

33C. Marriage license.

33D. Vital Records, City-County Bldg., Washtenaw Co., Ann Arbor, MI.

33E. Records in possession of Madelyn E. Hanson Berns (**Be:FDDAF Igaa.**).

33F. The Hanson Family **Bible** in the possession of Harold Brace Hanson, Dundee, MI.

33G. Eye-witness accounts and obituary notices.

33H. Vital Records, Office of County Clerk, Monroe County Court House, Monroe, MI.

33I. Wing, Talcott E., **The History of Monroe County.**

33J. Family **Bibles** of:

(1) Lucretia Maria (Flower) Bentley,
(2) Mary Elizabeth (Bentley) Reeves,

[1]born in Exeter (Arnold's note) (other evidence?).

[2]The omission of Randall Bentley's name may have been an error (?). William's brother's name may have been for some reason inadvertently omitted. The name "Hannah" has not been shown to be in this family, although some of Caleb's descendants believe "Hannah" was Caleb's dtr. Was "Hannah" a misinterpretation of "Randal(l)" or was "Randal(l)" just omitted? How does one account for Sarah? The three offspring of Caleb and Leah in **Be32.I.** should be two sons and one dtr only, according to the original record (not the one as quoted by Arnold) for rest of the children for Caleb and Leah.

[3]The only error in the birth date as recorded or transcribed is the year, 1768. By both census report and tombstone inscription, William's birth year is **1773.** By subtracting his age at death from the date of his death his birthday is **January 17,** exactly the same as reported by Arnold for month and day but not for year.

(3) Fred and Florence Reeves,
(4) Alina (Bentley) Stuart, and
(5) Jessie (Stuart) Hansen.

33K. Correspondence between KLB Wheaton (**Be:FDDAF Igaaa.**) and

(1) Lawrence F. Bailey: Cady Reeves and Emmet Reeves families;
(2) Lillian (Bentley) Marsden: letters from family members and old records, not itemized; and
(3) Mrs. Howard (Joan) Bentley of Tucson, AZ.

33L. Obituary notices in the **Monroe** (County) **Evening News**, Monroe, MI.

33M. Tombstone inscriptions of tombstones for graves located in the cemeteries of Azalia, London, Spaulding, and Marble Park, all located in Monroe County, MI.

Be34. "The Bentley Safe-Manuscript" in the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library, Boston, MA, comprised of bundles (printed, handwritten, and typewritten papers) in a bo left to the Society by Mrs. Mary Lovering Holman, Genealogist. She researched Bentley families for Harry C. Bentley of Boston, MA, for a period of time lasting at least two years (1927-28). She made the agreement to do the research. She was recommended to Mr. Bentley by the NEHG Society. Later, her daughter Winifred L. Holman suggested to her that she present as a gift to the Society Library the Bentley collection of "Genealogical Record" sheets, relevant correspondence, hypothetical traces, notes from original documents, and other notes of genealogical importance. She did. An inventory of the bundles comprising what has come to be known as the Mary Lovering Holman "Bentley Safe-Manuscript" (S G Ben 20—**27**; re: Harry C. Bentley) shows (6 of 20):

#6. Rhode Island (5 folders) (gen. 1, 2, 5, 7, 8, 9).
#7. Males, 39— 4, 6 (3 fol).
#8. Charts, RI.
#18. Bentl(e)ys—after 1800.
#19. Misc. notes, CR (4 folders).
#20. Letters, correspondence.
— re: Harry C. Bentley, Boston, MA, 5.16.1945.

Another "Bentley Safe-Manuscript" is **S G Ben 15** containing Bentley miscellany by Mary Lovering Holman's daughter Winifred Lovering Holman, Brookline, MA, 1947.

When this searcher first received the cardboard box packed with bundles of manuscript pages, each carefully tied with string to keep the pinned and/or clipped papers within their respective folders within the bundle, he took inventory and learned that Bundles 6 and 7 were missing. The loss was reported to the librarian in charge, who quickly searched the vault without

success in locating the missing bundles. This searcher did **not** resign himself to the librarian's suggestion that they probably were not in the library.

The card-catalog cards marked "Bentley" were carefully examined by this searcher for a possible clue that might lead to those missing bundles. The Mary Lovering Holman "Bentley Safe-Manuscript" card had the call number "**Ben SM 27.**" Eureka! There was another one — "**Ben SM 15.**" A notation was again made on a scrap of paper, this time for #15. I suggested to the librarian doing the hunting for me that I thought **Bundles 6 and 7** might be with or near **Ben SM 15.** He returned several minutes later with the slip in his hand and said that there weren't any more bundles in the vault for Bentley and that I had what was available. I explained that it **wasn't** Manuscript No. 27, but No. 15, that I wanted him to look for and to keep a sharp lookout for the missing bundles from No. 27. In a few minutes he returned with a good-natured smile while hugging the missing bundles and Ms. 15. He said that he couldn't understand why they were located there, adding that they had probably been misplaced for 15 years!

Bundles 6 and 7 labeled **Rhode Island** appeared to be the most important to this searcher. They were.

Be34A. Letters written between Mary Lovering Holman and Harry C. Bentley, of Boston, MA, her employer. Included here is the correspondence between MLH and others **not** found on the "Genealogical Record" sheets (Bundle 20 of ms 27).

Pertinent extracts regarding H.C. Bentley's knowledge of his own Bentley ancestry prior to Holman's research have been made from two of his letters located in Bundle 20 as follows:

(1) H.C. Bentley's letter of December 6 (no year), with the temporary address of 648 Ash St., San Diego, CA.

> . . . In other words, you may rely upon me to secure all details needed back to my great-grandfather. He, I believe, lived in Avon, or some place near Hartford, Conn.[1]
>
> . . . P.S. My grandfather's name is Daniel Bentley. He married Lavinia (I think that was her name) Marble. I do not know the name of my great-grandfather, but my brother will be able to find that out. Please send me several sets of blanks to use in my personal correspondence with aunts, uncles, cousins, **etc.**"[2]

[1]Harrold, J. C., "An Autograph Book—Students at Eastman National Business College—1897," **The Dutchess**, Summer 1979, 6:26. **The Dutchess** is a quarterly publication of the Dutchess County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 708, Poughkeepsie, NY 12602. The list of students is arranged alphabetically and includes the name of the hometown for each. The partial list was taken from the autograph book of J. C. Harrold located in the Adriance Memorial Library History Collection. Among the names appears "BENTLEY, H. C., Torrington, Conn." Torrington is located in Litchfield Co., NW CT. Avon is located in Hartford Co., CT. Torrington is located 15 mi. due W of Avon.

[2]In other 1927 correspondence, H.C.B. indicated that his gf Daniel, b 6.20.1812, may have had a brother Frederick, both sons of his ggf George Bentley (the 4th) (?), b 1786. If he could establish who his ggf was, H.C.B. felt that he would then be able to trace back to William Bentley of RI, the English emigrant (see Be35.).

(2) H.C. Bentley's letter of December 8 (no year) sent also to Mrs. Holman.

> . . . I shall make an effort to get in touch with the Bentleys living in San Diego (19), San Pedro (2), Los Angeles (66), Pasadena (14), Santa Monica (4), and a few in Connecticut whose names I have checked. I am surprised to find neither of my brothers (n)or their sons listed. They live in a farming community, and I suppose only those living in towns and cities which have a directory are contained in these lists. Consequently, there must be many Bentleys engaged in farming whose names we shall not be able to obtain except through those to whom we write . . .

Be34B. Papers regarding Bentleys from sources other than the questionnaire or "Genealogical Record" sheets — but **not** correspondence between MLH and others. **See further on.**

Be34C. The 1927 AD correspondence of American Bentleys with Mary Lovering Holman (later years are so indicated) and with H.C. Bentley. The bulk of this correspondence consists of the responses of Bentleys to the items of the "Genealogical Record" sheets which were three in number, (1) for the correspondent and his children, (2) for the correspondent's parents, and (3) for the person's grandparents. Occasionally interesting information was added on the backsides of the forms.

Be34D. Information about an individual supplied by another person, usually a close relative, ca 1927.

Be34E. Directory of persons with surname of "Bentley" who were living in urban communities of the U.S.A. ca 1925-28. The data includes residential addresses. States, cities within each state, and first names of Bentleys within each city were alphabetized in that order in 1927 by Harry C. Bentley, who mailed "Genealogical Record" blanks to each. Some were unclaimed and some were not returned. Many were answered.

New England Research at the NEHGSL

"Evidence" was needed to establish facts that this searcher's ancestor SAMUEL BENTLEY (**VII.25., Be:FDDD.**) of Markham in the Province of Ontario, Canada (as it is now known in York Co.), on August 18, 1800, was the son of BENJAMIN BENTLEY and SARAH SHIPPEE (SHIPPEY) of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations (Colony).[1] The names of the latter two together with the names of their six sons **Caleb, Joseph, Thomas, Samuel, Benjamin, and Gideon Bentley** were printed on an "Archive Record" in the Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT. This searcher had a xerox copy of the record made along with others in **1967**. For various reasons, not until **1977** did this searcher ask himself this question: "Is the name of 'Samuel Bentley' printed on the 'Archive Record' that of my ancestor 'SAMUEL BENTLEY'?"

[1] An original state of the Union, RI was the 13th to ratify the Federal Constitution, May 29, 1790.

Be34B. At the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library at 101 Newbury Street in Boston on July 6, 1977, extracts from the letters written 116 years before by three great-grandsons of BENJAMIN BENTLEY, all grandsons of BENJAMIN'S son Caleb, "found their way" into this searcher's hands.

The original letters had been dated in 1861 and sent to Rev. Edward W. Bentley of Ellenville, NY, who was attempting to gather information on other Bentleys, past and present. He corresponded with various persons with the surname "Bentley" in hope of also learning more about his own Bentley ancestry. His daughter-in-law Mrs. Edward M. (Mary M.) Bentley of Lawrence, Long Island, NY, continued his work, completing a typewritten manuscript in 1925. A copy is in the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library in Boston entitled "William Bentley of Lebanon, Connecticut, 16** — 1751, and His Descendants," compiled by Mrs. Edward M. Bentley, 1925.

Compiler Mrs. Mary M. Bentley had a large accumulation of notes for which she felt that she had neither the time nor the interest to verify; she was confining her efforts to gaining accurate data in extending her husband's line to William Bentley of Labanon, CT. Data on Rhode Island Bentleys became of little interest to her.

What ever happened to the bulk of those notes? Extracts of three letters, formerly a part of that accumulation, were "unearthed" in July of 1977.

On **November 22, 1925**, Mrs. Edward M. (Mary M.) Bentley mailed extracts from the three old letters that she had to Mrs. A. H. (Cora M.) Beach, genealogist, of Casper, WY. The letters written to Rev. Edward W. Bentley (Be34B) were dated: (1) **on 1.19.1861**, written by William Clark Bentley (**Be:FDDADB.**), Butternuts, Otsego Co., NY; (2) **on 2.14.1861**, written by James R. Bentley (**Be:FDDADC.**), Buffalo, NY (Shipping and Commission Merchants, No. 17, Central Wharf); and (3) **in 1861**, record given by Isaac Bentley (**Be:FDDAFG.**) of Van Buren Center, Onondaga, NY.

Very fortunately, copies of these extracts found their way to the **New England Historic Genealogical Society Library, 101 Newbury Street, Boston, MA**. Here they have been a part of the Bentley "Safe Manuscript" left to the Society over twenty-five years ago by Genealogist Mary Lovering Holman of Watertown, MA, who gathered a mass of data from Bentleys across the U.S.A. in 1927 for Mr. Harry C. Bentley of Boston, MA. Unfortunately, the data written on the "Genealogical Record" questionnaire-sheets,[1] particularly that regarding the descendants of BENJAMIN BENTLEY (**VIII.49., Be:FDD.**), never underwent the analysis, synthesis, and construction to aid in the formation of a **Bentley Family** compilation for the Rhode Island Bentleys and their descendants.

[1]The set of three sheets were devised by an acquaintance of Mary Lovering Holman named Mr. Bartlett. A fourth known as the "woman's chart," a follow-up chart sent to daughters who married, was not used in the 1927 data-gathering for Bentleys.

We descendants of BENJAMIN BENTLEY (**VIII.49.**), son of THOMAS BENTLEY (**IX.97.**), son of Rhode Island Bentley Progenitor WILLIAM BENTLEY (**X.193.**), are very fortunate that the NEHG Society has taken such good care of those papers mostly written in 1927. The discovery of the extracts from letters written in 1861 among these 50-year-old questionnaire papers provided a very real genealogical thrill for this searcher.

The "testimonies" helped to identify the offspring of ancestors BENJAMIN BENTLEY and SARAH SHIPPEE. Identity was also made of the father of SAMUEL BENTLEY'S nephew William Bentley. Caleb Bentley is hereby shown to be the father of William Bentley and the brother of SAMUEL. Written testimony provided the documentary evidence that ancestor SAMUEL BENTLEY was indeed the son of BENJAMIN. This searcher travelled from Long Beach, CA, to Boston, MA, to establish the genealogical link between SAMUEL and BENJAMIN, his ancestors. He is indebted to Harvard University and The New England Historic Genealogical Society for the opportunity to make this study in July of 1977.

The following testimonial evidence helps to establish the genealogical relationships among the named descendants of BENJAMIN BENTLEY (**VIII.49.**)(**Be:FDD.**).

Be34B.1. Extract from the letter of **William C. Bentley**, Butternuts, **Otsego** County, NY, January 19, 1861.

> I was born in Albany, March 4, 1804. Came to reside in this town 1831, and have lived here ever since. My father's name was **Randall Bentley**. He came from R. I. His father lived and died in or near the town of Exeter, R. I.
>
> My father died in Albany, 1824. He had two brothers, **Nathan** and **William** whom I remember seeing when I was a boy. **Nathan** lived in the town of Camillus. **William** was a Baptist Clergyman and removed to Canada.
>
> There is a family of Bentleys residing in the town of Westford this Co., whom I know to be distantly related to me. The **eldest** of them was a cousin of my father and I remember my father visiting him.

Later identification: **William C. Bentley (Be:FDDABB.), Randall Bentley (Be:FDDAB.), Nathan Bentley (Be:FDDAD.),William Bentley (Be:FDDAC.).** The "eldest" Bentley of Westford was Rufus Bentley (**Be:FDDCB.**), son of Thomas.

Be34B.2. Extract from the letter of **James R. Bentley**, Buffalo, NY, February 14, 1861.

> Our family came from England. My grandfather **Caleb Bentley** settled in R. I. (in West Norwich)[1] He had five sons **William, Randall, Nathan, Isaac, and Spencer. William** settled in Toronto, Canada West. **Randall**, my father, settled in Albany, N. Y. **Nathan**

[1] Undoubtedly West Greenwich.

and **Isaac** settled in Camillus, Onondago Co. **Spencer** remained in R. I. and died young. This is all I know of our early pedigree.

. . . There is a cousin of my father, named **Christopher Bentley**, living at Half Moon, Saratoga Co., who I think is much better posted in regard to the Bentley family than I, if he is living, and I have not heard of his death.

My only brother **William Bentley** has resided at Butternuts, Otsego Co., since he was 14 years of age and still resides there.

Later identification: **James R. Bentley (Be:FDDABC.), Caleb Bentley (Be:FDDA.), William Bentley (Be:FDDAC.), Randall Bentley (Be:FDDAB.), Nathan Bentley (Be:FDDAD.), Isaac Bentley (Be:FDDAE.), Spencer Bentley (Be:FDDAH.), and Christopher Bentley (Be:FDDFB.).** James R. Bentley's brother **William Bentley (Be:FDDABB.)** is also named.

Be34B.3. Record given in 1861 by **Isaac Bentley** of Van Buren Center, Onondaga Co., NY.

Thomas of Exeter, R. I. 1680 — 1778
Sons: William, Benjamin, Caleb

Benjamin:
Sons: Caleb, Benjamin, Thomas, Samuel, Joseph, Gideon.

Caleb of Exeter, R. I.
m. 2, Elizabeth Spencer.
Sons: **Nathan**, b in Exeter, 1779. d in Camillus, Onondaga Co., 1816.
Isaac, b in R. I. Came to Onondaga Co., 1810. d. 1854, age 75.
William, was a Baptist preacher and went to Canada where he died, leaving **two sons, Randall** and **Gardner**.
Spencer, no sons.
Randall, died in Albany 1824. **Two sons, James** and **William C.**

Of my grandfather's brothers, Samuel settled in Canada, Thomas in Otsego Co. and Gideon in Oswego Co., where he died in 1859, age 107.

It is a tradition in our family that we came from Somersetshire, Eng.

I do not know the names of all of my great-uncles, one or more settled in Washington Co., before the Revolution.

I am one of the sons of **Isaac**. My father and his brother **Nathan** settled here in 1810. They came from R. I.

Later identification: **Isaac Bentley (Be:FDDAEG.); THOMAS BENTLEY** as the father of **William Bentley (Be:FDC.), BENJAMIN BENTLEY (Be:FDD.)**, and "Caleb Bentley" (this searcher questions the inclusion of Caleb as a son of **THOMAS** and as a brother of **William** and **BENJAMIN**, because records that have been examined do **not** substantiate this contention

as fact); **BENJAMIN'S sons: Caleb Bentley (Be:FDDA.), Benjamin Bentley (Be:FDDE.), Thomas Bentley (Be:FDDC.), SAMUEL BENTLEY (Be:FDDD.), Joseph Bentley (Be:FDDB.), and Gideon Bentley (Be:FDDF.).** Although **Caleb Bentley m Leah Spencer (Elizabeth Spencer —?)**, the "m. 2" indicates that this was his second marriage for which this searcher has no corroborating evidence. The **sons of Caleb** are named **Nathan Bentley (Be:FDDAD.), Isaac Bentley (Be:FDDAE.), William Bentley (Be:FDDAC.), Spencer Bentley (Be:FDDAH.), Randall Bentley (Be:FDDAB.).** The sons of **William** named are **Randall Bentley (Be:FDDACF.)** and **Gardner Bentley (Be:FDDACE.).** Sons of **Randall Bentley (Be:FDDAB.)** were named **James Bentley (Be:FDDABC.)** and **William C. Bentley (Be:FDDABB.)**.

The statement **"Of my grandfather's brothers, SAMUEL settled in Canada . . ."** agrees with this searcher's year-1800 data gathered in Toronto at the Ontario Provincial Archives that **William Bentley's "uncle" SAMUEL BENTLEY ("SAMUL BENTLY") was a blacksmith in Markham Twp., York Co., Ontario, Canada** (place as now known). This searcher's Toronto data gathered in 1967 also had this abstract: **deed transfer in 1824 of Lot 3, Con. 5, Markham, from "William Bentley of Twp. of West Greenwich in Co. of Kent in State of Rhode Island, yeoman, and Randall S. Bentley of Markham Twp., York Co., Home District"** (now in the Province of Ontario, Canada).

No confirmation had been made of any of the family traditions regarding the exact **Bentley-origin in England** (1977). Isaac Bentley believed that the Bentley(s) came from **Somersetshire**, England. Other Bentleys in the U.S. submitted "traces" in 1927 to Mary Lovering Holman, but none convinced her of being the one for the Rhode Island Progenitor, WILLIAM BENTLEY (this searcher's **Ancestor X.193.**). Some pointed to Lancashire. One of the traces went back to the Bentleys of High Bentley and Oulton with Woodlesford Parish in England, West Riding, **Yorkshire**, Normantown division five miles north, northeast Wakefield close to Woodlesford station. The geographical description was probably in Longman's **Gazeteer of the World.**

Two other documents refer to **Bedfordshire** as the origin of the Bentley-family Progenitor in Rhode Island. One of these sources is Duncan Sinclair's manuscript entitled in part "The Life and Ancestry of Randall Spencer Bentley . . ." **(Be:FDDDACF.)** (R. S. Bentley, **Be61**, ca 1890): ". . . **Town of Bedford, England** . . ." The other source **appears to be** the "great **Bible**" inscription-record (?) of THOMAS BENTLEY (this searcher's Ancestor IX.97.) (a copy designated as Misc. Ms B477w on file in the RI Historical Society, Providence) for births of members of the families of "THOMAS BENTLY" and his father "WILLIAM BENTLY" of Kingstown, Rhode Island: **WILLIAM BENTLY, born Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England (see Be111.).**

Be34.B.4. An abstract from a letter written to Genealogist Mrs. A. H. (Cora M.) Beach, Casper, WY, quoted by her in **1926**. The undated abstract of the

letter written by an unidentified great-granddaughter of Caleb's son William Bentley **(Be:FDDAC.)** and granddaughter of Randall Spencer Bentley **(Be:FDDACF.)** whose name was **Mrs. L. W. Miller of Quinter (Cove County), Kansas, Star Route** (now identified as Emma Eliza Bentley, George's dtr, and classified as **Be:FDDACFEc.)**, reads as follows:

> **My grandfather, Randall Spencer Bentley, was born in Rhode Island April 10, 1800, son of William and Hannah Bentley.[1] My great-grandparents, William and Hannah, are buried on the old place, Markham, Ontario, which was reserved by grandfather.[2] My grandmothers were Gardner and Spencer, but which was my grandmother and which my great grandmother, I do not know.[3] Grandfather had a brother Gardner, who died in Lapeer, Michigan, and a sister Hannah, born 1794, died 1872, who married James L. Brock in Ontario.[5] There were sisters Bessie and Clara and a brother Isaac, who died young.[6]**

Be34.C., Be34.D., and **Be34.E. See preceding pages.**

Be35. Sarter, Emilie, **One Branch of the Bentley Family of Rhode Island**, 1953; subtitle "The Ancestors and Descendants of William Perry Bentley, Fred Harold Bentley, John Earle Bentley, in the Eighth Generation from William (1) Bentley of Rhode Island" compiled for William Perry (8) Bentley of Dallas, Texas, in Memory of Fred Harold (8) Bentley.

This excellently researched and compiled genealogy traces the Bentley ancestors of the above family to their earliest-known Bentley-ancestor in America, progenitor **WILLIAM BENTLEY of Kings Towne, Rhode Island.**

Few copies of this book can be found anywhere. One copy of this out-of-print book is a part of the outstanding collection of genealogies in The New England Historic Genealogical Society Library, 101 Newbury St., Boston, MA. A microfilm copy of the original typescript dated 1949, is available for study at the Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT.

Emilie Sarter's thoroughness is deeply appreciated. The work is of great interest to anyone with Rhode Island ancestry, but especially to those of Bentl(e)y descent. Unfortunately, very few Bentley descendants were aware of their ancestral ties. Many more people should become aware of the pioneering efforts of those of their own flesh and blood.

[1]Evidence in RI is desirable.

[2]Photo of tombstone inscription is desirable.

[3]Her gg-gm Leah Spencer was m to Caleb Bentley; her g-gm Hannah Gardner was m to her g-gf William Bentley.

[4]Gardner's name appears on the 1850 and 1860 CR for Lapeer Co., MI, as "William" on one and as "William G." on the other.

[5]Additional evidence for sister Hannah is minimal; a dtr was indicated but this searcher has no further information regarding any possible descendants. Brock Twp in Ontario Co., Ontario, Canada, may have been her family's residence (Be36.). The initial "L." most likely is for the name "Layton" (Be275.).

[6]No further information regarding Bessie, Clara, or Isaac.

From this source, for example, the trace can be made from William[1] Bentley **(Be:F.)**, to John Earle[9] Bentley (John Earle[8], George Alfonso[7], John[6], John[5], William[4], William[3], Benjamin[2], William[1] Bentley); **i.e.**

John Earle Bentley, **Be:FEEBAFDDC.**, b 1925, Dallas TX.

Considering the thorough documentation throughout, Emilie Sarter must be highly commended for her work.

In her letter of July 30, 1949, written at her residence, 268 Newbury Street, Boston, MA, to William Perry Bentley **(Be:FEEBAFDA.)** of Shelter Harbor, Westerly, RI, historical and genealogical researcher Emilie Sarter wrote (extracts):

> With the close of my work for you I have decided to leave Boston for a visit of several weeks to my family as I have not seen them in about two years, so the chances are I will not be here should you come to Boston, something I regret as I should like to have had a chat with you. Should you come and care to visit the New England Historic-Genalogical Society I'm sure they will let you examine the Bentley manuscripts and notes deposited by Mrs. Holman. **I must caution you however on the manuscript of Cousin Harry's pedigree. There are two and neither is complete. They were not corrected and revised and carry many errors that have subsequently been corrected and included in those pages of your early generations that are the same as Cousin Harry's.**
>
> If you wish to see the form you filled in you will find it in package #7 of the Holman-Bentley bundles. . .
>
> I do appreciate the privilege of having done this research for you. I hope you will continue to get as much fun out of genealogy as I do. Happy hunting!"
>
> With all good wishes, I am Sincerely yours,
>
> Emilie Sarter (signature)

The foregoing letter was seen in the GSL, SLC, UT, on microfilm.

In this same letter of July 30, 1949, Emilie Sarter wrote to William Perry Bentley:

> The manuscript as you will now have it contains all the . . .
> gathered with the exception of many of the sources consulted which
> . . .
> generally given separately and which would take a little time to write
> . . .
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> As I once wrote you, this manuscript is a "master" or "k . . .
> copy. It is by no means final. It should be used as a working c . . .
> before the final draught with corrections, additions and revisions . . .
> typed.

[1]This searcher failed to locate either of the two copies of "Cousin Harry's pedigree" (undoubtedly Harry C. Bentley, who had employed Mary Lovering Holman in 1927-19?? to trace his Bentley ancestry). Note that Emilie Sarter wrote ". . . your early generations that are the same as Cousin Harry's," interpreted by this searcher as meaning that Harry C. Bentley was a proven descendant of WILLIAM BENTLEY of Kingstown, the RI-Bentley Progenitor.

Aside from the notes herewith enclosed there are no data . . . included in the manuscript as you now have it.

Be36. Dr. Frank J. Titus (Army Major and Captain), "Descendants of William Bentley of Rhode Island," microfilm "FFH-96," located in the Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City,UT.

"FFH-96" is the simple-reference microfilm-call-number for this filmed family-history tracing both male and female Bentley-lines. Legibility of the typescript leaves much to be desired. "Archive Record" gleaners for Bentleys are very familiar with this reference number at the Society Library where the microfilm can be studied. This searcher saw FFH-96 for the first time in August, 1977, and should have seen it many years before. This searcher has not examined the "Titus Genealogy" referred to in the FFH-96 microfilm for continuation of the Bentley descendants named "Titus." This searcher has **not** been able to locate a copy of the "Titus Genealogy."

Dr. Titus does **not** include himself in the generation-by-generation compilation of Bentley descendants in progress ca 1905/6 and perhaps as late as 1907. Much of the data appears to have been collected in the late 1800's.

Although Frank J. Titus did an excellent job of collecting and organizing the data, documentation for the early generations is incomplete and in places in error.

Some of the Bentleys cooperated with Titus reporting their known Bentley ancestors and the known descendants of these ancestors. Those who were living in 1927 revealed this to Mary Lovering Holman (Be34.), adding that they never saw the compilation written by Titus. Their names appear in this searcher's compilation with appropriate recognition, some with surprising additions.

A simple note on one of the frames of the microfilm credits Dr. Frank H. Titus as the one who prepared the compilation. Included in the note is information regarding the whereabouts of the original typescript: "Papers now owned by Mrs. John H. Meader, Dr. Titus' niece." No address appears for either Dr. Titus or for Mrs. Meader.

The reference to the "Titus Genealogy" noted above was for the descendants of Samuel Titus and **Clarisa Coryell**. She is indicated by code-number (Titus) 4—51 meaning in the fourth generation **after** progenitor William Bentley and the 51st-selected descendant in that generation. The code-number precedes her name indicating her as the daughter of Daniel Coryell and Sarah Bentley (3—19). The number also appears on one of the preceding pages in the manuscript preceding the name of Sarah Bentley the daughter of Diana Strait and Greene Bentley. Greene Bentley is indicated with identifying code-numbers of 2—12, etc. All selected descendants in a given generation are numbered consecutively.

From Clarisa Coryell[5] (Sarah Bentley[4], Greene[3], William[2], William[1], Dr. Frank J. Titus **likely** descends. However, there is another Titus named

besides Samuel Titus, husband of Clarisa Coryell. This other Titus is Bennett Titus who m Emily Dodge daughter of Harris Dodge, son of Hetty Bennett, the daughter of Eunice[4] Bentley (Greene[3], William[2], William[1] Bentley). Since there is **no** note reading "See Titus Genealogy" after the name of Samuel Titus, this searcher is led to believe that quite likely Dr. Frank J. Titus is a descendant of Samuel Titus. No other male Tituses were named in the Bentley compilation.

Dr. Frank J. Titus had been a Major and later a Captain in the U.S. Army according to William Spencer Bentley, M. D. and U. S. Army Major himself (his letter of 1.17.1928, addressed to Harry C. Bentley, who with Mrs. Mary Lovering Holman had sent Dr. W. S. Bentley the "Genealogical Record" blank-forms in 1927). Dr. William Spencer Bentley of SD, further stated that Dr. Titus was going to have the compilation published, but died before this plan was realized.

Harry C. Bentley wrote in a letter dated August 11, 1927, addressed to Mary Lovering Holman that he had recently sent to her by parcel post a copy of the genealogy compiled by Dr. Frank H. Titus (deceased). The compilation by Titus was loaned to H. C. B. from a brother of F. H. Titus identified as Mr. S. O. Titus, of Dover, NH. H. C. B. expressed his hope that the manuscript would be of some help to Mary Lovering Holman. The letter is in the vault of the NEHGS Library.

Of particular interest to this searcher were the generation-by-generation traces for the descendants of Caleb Bentley and Gideon Bentley, sons of BENJAMIN BENTLEY, son of THOMAS, son of WILLIAM BENTLEY, the Progenitor of the Rhode Island Bentleys. However, the descendants of the four brothers of Caleb and Gideon were **not** traced by Titus. Interesting it is to note that many of the reported names, dates, and places coincide with those reported by Bentleys across the U.S. in 1927, in response to letters received from Harry C. Bentley and Mary L. Holman of Boston. These combined evidences have immeasurably helped to trace the "growth of the Bentley tree" in North America.

May the few errors that do exist in the secondary sources of documentary evidence be found and corrected rather than perpetuated. There is no substitute for the careful examination of original records from wherever they come or in whatever places they may be found.

Be37. Jones, Emma C. Brewster (of Cincinnati, OH), **The Brewster Genealogy 1655-1907**, NY: Grafton Press, 1908, pp 1010-1.

Be38. "Cemetery Inscriptions of Dorchester South," **The Ontario Register**, Vol. 1, No. 2, April 1968, p 98.

Tombstone inscriptions in Necropolis Cemetery, located one and one-half miles east of Mapleton, South Dorchester Twp, Elgin Co., Ontario, Canada. Abstract provided by Edwin Bentley of Seattle, WA (1977).

Ident. and class.: R. S. Bently is Randall Spencer Bentley, Sr.(**Be:FDDADF.**), **his** second wife Helen Ogilvie Scott, his son Isaac Bentley (**Be:FDDADFJ.**), and Isaac's wife Alma Euphemia Smith.

Be39. "Marriage Register of the Western District," **The Ontario Register**; abstracts provided by Edwin Bentley of Seattle, WA (1977).

Vol. 2, No. 2, 1969, p 73: **Bentley, Ira** of Howard Twp, Kent Co., ON, 1836.

Vol. 2, No. 2, 1969, p 75: **Bentley, Rubin**, m **Cealy Ison**, both of Gosfield, 3.18.1839 (Essex Co., ON). wit: **John Chapman** and **Jacob Greenlosin.**

Vol. 2, No. 2, 1969, p 83: **Bentley, Sarah Ann**, of Howard Twp, Kent Co., ON, m **James Mallory** 3.10.1841; wit: **Samuel Bentley** and **John Bell.**

Vol. 2, No. 2, 1969, p 68: **Bentley, Caleb G.**, Dawn Twp, Lambton Co., ON, 1835.

Vol. 2, No. 2, 1969, p 83: **Bentley, Samuel**, Howard Twp, Kent Co., ON, m **Mary Scratch** of Gosfield, Essex Co., 6.27.1841; wit: **Henry Scratch** and **Wendle S. Wigle.**

Vol. 3, No. 1, 1970, p 44: **Bentley, Martha**, 1843, Dawn Twp., Lambton Co., ON.

Vol. 3, No. 2, 1970, p 91: **Bentley, Isaac**, 1847, as Rev. performed several marriages for people from Howard Twp, Kent Co., ON.

Ident. and Class.:

Samuel Bentley (**Be:FDDDEB.**)
Ira Bentley (?)

Sarah Ann Bentley (**Be:FDDDEBa.**)
Isaac Bentley (?)

Rubin Bentley (?)
Caleb G. Bentley (see **Will**) (?)

Martha Bentley (?)

Be40A. East Greenwich, RI, "Births, Marriages, and Deaths," Book **2**, page **29**; Thomas Bentley (**Be:FDDC.**) m Barbary Voughan, 1765.

"These may Certifie all persons whom it may concern that Thomas Bentley of Exeter in the County of Kings County and Barbary Voughan of East Greenwich in the County of Kent was Married in East Greenwich September the 5th A.D. 1765 according to Law"

Thos. Shippee Justice of the Peace
Recorded and Compared with the Original March ye 21st
Anno Domini 1766 — By John Spencer son of Wm Town Clerk.

Be40B. *Ibid.*, Book **2**, page **41**; the births of three children of **William Bentl(e)y** and **Mercey**:

(1) "**Christopher Bently** the **Eldest Son** of William Bently and Born of the Body of Marcy his wife in East Greenwich March ye 11th 1754: and on the Second Day of the week about --- of the Clock"

(2) "**William Bently** the **Second Son** of William Bently and Born of the Body of Mercey his wife in East Greenwich, March ye 22nd 1756: and on the --- Day of the week about --- Clock in the ---"

(3) "**Lucey Bently** the **Eldest Daughter** of William Bently and Born of the Body of Marcey his wife in East Greenwich June ye 3rd 1758 on the Seventh Day of the week---"

Ident. and class: William Bentl(e)y (Be:FEE.) was the son of Benjamin Bentl(e)y (**BeFE.**) of Exeter. **Mercy Sweet** was the dtr of William Sweet of East Greenwich. They were m April 29, 1750, E.G. (East Greenwich Probate Book 2, page 2A). Their CH include: Christopher Bently (**Be:FEEA.**), William Bently (**Be:FEEB.**), and Lucey Bently (**Be:FEEc.**).

Be40C. *Ibid.*, Book **2**, page **96**; the births of four children of Caleb Bentl(e)y (identification?) and Martha (Foster) Bentley, dtr of Thomas of Warwick (?) (m 1761).

(1) "Colonel Bently, The **first Son** of Caleb Bently and Born of the Body of Martha his Wife in East Greenwich January ye 2nd AD 1765 on the fourth Day of the (Week) about --- of the Clock in the Morning ---"

(2) "Acus Bently the **Second Son** of Caleb Bently and Born of the Body of Martha his Wife in Warwick May ye 23 AD 1767 on the Seventh day of the Week about --- of the Clock in the Morning--"

(3) "Elisabeth Bently the **Second Daughter** of Caleb Bentley and Born of the Body of Martha his Wife in Warwick May ye 2nd AD 1771 on the fith Day of the week about 5 O'Clock in the Morning ---"

(4) "Benjamin Bently the **third Son** of Caleb Bently and Born of the Body of Martha his Wife in Warwick December ye 8th AD 1772 on Tuesday about one of the Clock in the ---"

Be40D. *Ibid.*, Book **2**, page **112**; the births of three children of Benjamin Bentl(e)y (d before 1789?) (identification?) and Barbary (----) (ident.?).

(1) "**Sarah Bently** the **first Daughter** of Benjamin Bently and born of the Body of Barbary his Wife in **East Greenwich, August ye 31 AD 1764.**"

(2) "Albethany Bently the **Second Daughter** of Benjamin Bently and Born of the body of Barbary his Wife in East Greenwich March ye 22 AD 1767."

(3) "Parmelia Bently the **third Daughter** of Benjamin Bently and born of the body of Barbarry his Wife in East Greenwich June the 3rd AD 1769."

Be41. Land Evidence, West Greenwich, RI.

Be41.A. Instrument in Book **7:307-8.**

Heirs and makers of this instrument on November 12, 1825, West Greenwich, RI, by power of attorney given to George Gardner, were named as Amy Hecock, Elisabeth Cudle (?), Polly Rowley, Anstress Wait, Hart Bateman, Solomon Gardner, and George Gardner, all then living in the State of New York, (sold) to William Bently of West Greenwich, Kent Co., RI, that parcel of land lying in West Greenwich given by Thomas Rogers to Mary Rathbun and from Mary Rathbun to Mary Gardner and from Mary Gardner to above named heirs and makers of this instrument.

Identity of this **William Bently?**

Be41.B. Instrument misindexed as 3:284; it should be indexed as Book **3**, page **286**.

John Rhodes of Exeter, yeoman, sold William Bently of West Greenwich land in Exeter with a dwelling house thereon. Martha verified deed, 21 April 1790, Wit John Rhodes. Both sign.

Identity of this **William Bently?**

Be41.C. West Greenwich, RI, **Land Evidence**, Book **8:242, 243, 244, 245;** signed and sealed on 1.31.1829; recorded 2.2.1829. See also Be247.

> To all people to whom these presents shall Come, **I William Bentley of West Greenwich** in the County of Kent and State of Rhode island Send Greeting Know ye that I the Said **William Bently** for and in Consideration of the Sum of Thirteen Hundread Dollars to me in hand Before the Ensealing hereof Will and truly paid By **Marchant Barber of Exeter** in the County of Washington and State afforesaid Yeoman alias Gentleman The Receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledg and one therewith fully satisfied contented and Paid and thereof and Every part and parcel thereof do Exonerate acquit and Discharge him the said **Marchant Barber** his heirs Executors and administrators forever by these Presents have given granted bargained sold ... conveyed and ... By these Presents do freely fully and absolutely ... unto the said **Marchant Barber** his heirs and assigns forever the following Described Land and Premises with all the Buildings thereon standings and Belonging (**viz**) one Lot situated lying and Being **in the Town of West Greenwich aforesaid Containing forty four Acres** the Same Be more or less and is bounded as follows Beginning at the highway att a Corner of a Driftway Belonging to **Hannah Hunt, Widow,** Running to the land of said Driftway thence Westerly on said **Hannah Hunt Land** and Southerly on Land of Said **Hannah Hunt** Land Running Westerly to Land **Late Jonathan Hopkins** Westerly on Land Late Belonging to **Jonathan Hopkins** Running Northerly to Land of **Amos Reynolds** Northerly and Easterly and Easterly on Land of **Amos Reynolds** to the highway Easterly and Southerly on the highway to the first mentioned Bound one Other Lot lying and Being Partly in West Greenwich and Partly in Exeter and is Bounded as Followeth Beginning at the Northeast Corner of Said Lot Adjoining Land of **Thomas Albro** Easterly Partly on Land of **Thomas Albro** and Partly on Land of (?) Drias attlin(?)

Southerly on Land of the **heirs of Daniel Chove** (?) Westerly and Northerly on a highway to the first mentioned Bound Containing **twenty acres** the Same more or less the first mentioned Lot Containing **Forty four Acres** the Same Be More or Less one other Lot of Land Situated In said West Greenwich and Containing **fifteen acres** the Same Be More or Less and Is Bounded as followeth Easterly on it Highway Southerly and Westerly on Land of **Thomas Phillips** Northerly on Land of **Hannah Hunt** to the first mentioned Bound together with one other Lot of Land lying and Being in Said West Greenwich and Contains By Estimation Thirty four Acres the Same Be More or Less and is Bounded Southerly on Land of **Thomas Whitman** Westerly on Land the heirs of **Beriah Hopkins** Northerly Partly on Land **Amos Reynolds** and Partly on Land of **Thomas Albro Easterly on a highway to the first mentioned Bound Together with the Moreover of the Burring Ground Wich Is on the first mentioned Lot Wich Moreover Is two Rods Square and it Pathway to go from that Highway to said burying Ground at any time without any let or hindrance for to bury any of my family.**

To have and to hold the **Said Granted and bargained premises** with all the appurtenances privileges and commodities to the Same belonging or in any wise appertaining, **to him the Said Merchant Barber** his heirs and Assigns forever, to his and their Only proper use benefit and behoof forever, and I the Said William Bently for myself heirs executors and administrators do Covenant promise and Grant to and with the Said Marchant Barber his heirs and Assigns that at and before the Ensealing hereof I am the true Sole and Lawfull owner of the above bargained premises and am Lawfully --- and possessed of the Same in my own proper right as a good perfect and absolute Estate of Inheritance in fee Simple, and have in myself good right full power and Lawfull authority to Grant bargain Sell Convey and Confirm the Said bargained premises in Manner as aforesaid, and that the Said Merchant Barber his heirs and assigns Shall and may from time to time and at all times forever ... Furthermore I the said William Bentley for myself heirs Executors and Administrators do Covenant and engage the above demised premises to thim the said Merchant Barber his heirs and assigns against the Lawfull Claims or demands of any person or persons Whatsoever forever to warrant Secure and defend by these presents. **And I Anna Bentley the wife to the said William Bentley do by these presents for the Consideration of the Sum of money paid unto my said husband** ..." Signed and sealed **by William Bentley and Anna Bentley at West Greenwich, January 31, 1829,** in presence of **Benjamin Lawton** and **Caleb Lawton; recorded February 2, 1829.**

Genealogical significance appears in **Land Evidence**, West Greenwich, Ri, Book **8:242, 243, 244,** and **245;** signed and sealed on **1.31.1829,** and recorded **2.2.1829, when William Bentley (Be:FDDAC.) of West Greenwich in the County of Kent and State of Rhode Island** for Thirteen Hundred Dollars sold to Marchant Barber of Exeter in the County of Washington, Yeoman and Gentleman, these parcels of lands:

(1) one Lot in West Greenwich of 44 acres,
(2) one other Lot lying partly in West Greenwich and partly in Exeter containing 20 acres,
(3) one other Lot situated in West Greenwich containing 15 acres, and
(4) one other Lot in West Greenwich of 34 acres,
reserving the **Burying Ground** which is on "the first mentioned Lot which is two rods square (33 feet x 33 feet) and its pathway to go from that highway to said burying ground" at anytime without any hindrance to bury any of his (William Bentley's) family.

Note that this "Burying Ground" is the Bentley-family cemetery where Spencer Bentley (**Be:FDDAH.**), William's brother, was laid to rest in 1811 and where Spencer's wife Betsey Bissell was laid to rest in 1872. Other graves were marked with field stones instead of inscribed tombstones (see Be68.). William Bentley (**Be:FDDAC.**) of West Greenwich, RI, settled in Markham Twp., York Co., Ontario, Canada, in 1800 (see Be15.B.), later returning to RI to live until 1829, when he joined his son Randall Spencer Bentley (see Be13.B. and Be16.C.) in Markham Twp., York Co., Ontario, Canada. William, Caleb's son, was m secondly to Anna (----).

Be41D. West Greenwich (RI), Land Evidence, Book 5, page 149; dated 1816; William Bentley (**Be:FDDAC.**), tailor, of West Greenwich, RI, purchased 15 acres in Town of West Greenwich.

> Know all men by these presents that I **David Benjaman** of Exeter in the County of Washington and State of Rhode island &c, Yeoman in Consideration of the Sum of One Hundred and Sixty-five dollars to me paid by **William Bently of West Greenwich in the County of Kent and State aforesaid Tailor,** the Receipt Whereof, I do hereby acknowledge, do hereby Give Grant bargain Sell and Convey unto the Said William Bently his heirs and assigns forever, One certain Tract or Lot of Land Situated in the Town of West Greenwich in the County of Kent and State of Rhodeisland Contains by Estimation **fifteen Acres,** be the Same More or less, bounded as follows: Beginning at a heap of Stones at the northwest Corner of said Lot, thence Runing Southerly about Twenty Seven Rods, to an ash tree on land of the Grantor, from thence to a Large Oak tree, thence Southerly to a heap of Stones Where the fence now Stands, thence Easterly on Land of the Grantor as the fence now stands Untill It strikes the highway thence Northerly on the highway untill It comes to Land of **Stukley Tillinghast,** thence Westerly on Said Tillinghast untill It Comes to the first Mentioned bound, To have and to hold the said Granted and bargained premises with the Privileges and appurtenances thereof to him the said William Bently his heirs and assigns forever, to his and their use and behoof forever and I the said David Benjaman for myself my heirs Executors and Administrators, do Covenant with the said William Bently his heirs and assigns that I am Lawfully S----ed in fee of the premises that they are free of all Incumbrances, that I have Good right to Sell and Convey the Same to

the Said William Bently to hold as aforesaid, and that I will warrant and defend the Same to him the said William Bently his heirs and assigns forever against the Lawfull claims and demands of all persons. And I **Mary Benjamins Wife to the Said David Benjamins,** do by these presents and for the Consideration aforesaid yield up and surrender all my Right of dower, and power of thirds, in and unto the above described Land and premises unto him the Said **William Bently** his heirs and assigns forever, In Witness Whereof we have hereunto set our hands and Seals this **23rd day of November, AD 1816.**

Signed Sealed and delivered in the presence of

David Benjamin Jr.

Randall Bently

David Benjaman

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Mary o Benjaman

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Be42.A. West Greenwich, RI, Will **4:75,** dated July 2, 1811; probated November 29, 1811.

Spencer Bently of West Greenwich, beloved wife Betsey ... all profits and income of all my personal estate (as I "havens" Real) to bring up and support **my child Betsey Ann.** If said child lives to Age 18 years then personal estate to be given to her, if not, all personal estate to my wife Betsey. Witnesses: **Amos and Amon Reynolds, Benja. Johnson.**

Ident. and Class.: Betsey Ann Bently **(Be:FDDAHa.)**, child of Betsey and Spencer Bentley **(Be:FDDAH.).**

Be43. West Greenwich, RI Book **2:117**. Record (original) is quoted in text; ident. and class.: Betsey Ann Bentley **(Be:FDDAHa.).**

Be44. Conway, Gail, extracts from Morris Bamford's **Moses Bamford Genealogy** (copy of which has **not** been located by this searcher)—extracts in the "Archive Record" sheets in the Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT.

Be45A. The **1800 Federal Census Report** for Norwich, Chenango Co., NY, p. 778; searcher Ed. Bentley of Seattle, submitter.

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(1) Wales, Nathan

(2) Plumb, Ameriah, 1 m (26-45), 1 f (26-45), 2 m (10-16).

(3) Walker, Isaac

(4) BENTLEY, SAMUEL, 1 m (over 45 y), 1 f (over 45 y).

(5) Bamford, Moses, 1 m (26-45), 1 f (16-26).

(6) Bamford, James, 1 m (26-45), 1 f (26-45, 3 m (0-10).

(7) Blowers, Alexander

(8) Synott, Patrick

(9) Bentley, Gideon, 1 m and 1 f (26-45), 1 m and 1 f (10-16), 3 m and 1 f (0-10).

(10) Bentley, William, 1 m (over 45 y), 1 f (26-45), 2 m (0-10).

(11) Plumb, Amariah, 1 m and 1 f (16-26).

(12) Gardener, Levy

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(28) Welch, Ebenezer, —(?)—.

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Be45B. The **1810 CR** for Plymouth, Chenango Co., NY, p. 272; rechecked. The James Bamford family remained in Chenango Co.; **no** Bentleys (?).

Be45C. The **1810 CR** for Genesee Co., NY, in Batavia:

Bamford, Moses, 1 m (26-45), 1 f (26-45), 2 m (0-10), 1 f (0-10).

Note: Regarding the Census Reports in Be45A, B, and C., this searcher has not seen the reports and has taken the foregoing as **leads only** in following the movements of this part of the Bentl(e)y family. Admittingly a closer examination of these reports and those of adjacent areas would probably be more rewarding.

Did Sandra (Jones) Davis Hall look for Bentleys in the 1810 CR for Genesee Co., NY? She had **not** recorded them from the 1800 CR for Chenango Co. The 1810 CR, **Genesee Co.**, NY, for Batavia, should be rechecked.

Searcher Ed Bentley of Seattle double-checked the 1800 CR for Chenango Co. and found SAMUEL BENTLEY (!!) and other Bentleys and two Plumb families (!). The 1800 CR should be rechecked and the names appearing in a few families before and after the above (as well as between) should be studied.

Compare the above data with that for Ballstown Town, Albany Co., NY, **1790 Heads of Families, NY.** This part of Albany Co. became a part of Saratoga Co. Where did the Aspinwall families go? Ballston Spa is a village 6 mi SW of Saratoga Springs, founded in 1787 ca.

Be46. Correspondence with Mrs. Dennis E. (Sandra Gail Jones) Davis **(Be:FDDDdBdcBa.)**, res (1977): 7010 Lincoln Oaks Dr., Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Name and address were changed (1981) to Sandra J. Hall, 5324 Apple Tree Ct, Orangeville, CA 95662. The following sources of documentary evidence are in her possession (limited itemization here):

Be46.A. Marriage records, Bamfords and their desc.

Be46.B. Death certificates, Bamfords and their desc.

Be46C. A transcribed copy of a letter (written "statement") by **Samuel Bentley Bamford**, son of Father Moses Bamford who married Mother Bentley as his first of two wives. The copy is in the possession of Mrs. Dennis E. (Sandra Gail Jones) Davis, great-great-granddaughter of his. His father's name was **Moses Bamford**. Sandra wrote, "The only reference to the Bentleys is this statement I have included by my gr-great-grandfather."

The following was quoted in Sandra's letter of 7.3.1977, sent to this searcher.

Copy of a Statement by Samuel Bentley Bamford, March 25, 1890

Samuel: "My father was American born but his parents, or at least his father, was born in Ireland and came to this country and married and settled in New York where my father was born. He was married to my mother in Canada and moved afterwards to **New York where I was born in the year 1808.**

"My mother was born and raised in Canada and was of English-Scotch descent. Her name was Bentley before marriage.

"My father died at the age of 55 years and mother at 40 years, both of non-inherited diseases.

"My brothers, Washington and Robert, and sister, Mrs. Wiles, died at the ages of 68, 75, and 70 years respectively. My wife at 59.

"The most noted of my ancestors for longevity was my grandfather who was living at the age of 114 years ..."

Sandra concluded her letter by writing, "The rest of the statement deals with his wife's family."

QUERY. Who of Samuel Bentley Bamford's two grandfathers was living at the age of 114 years, his maternal grandfather Samuel Bentley or his paternal grandfather Bamford?

Be46.D. Tombstone-inscription records possessed by S.G.J. Davis.

Be46.E. Census Records (?) searched by S.C.J. Davis.

Be46.F. "Knox County Marriages, 1807 — March, 1832,"

The Hoosier Genealogist, July-Sept., 1974, 14: 50, 51. The data was compiled from photostats of Knox County Marriage Certificates, 1807-32, and Knox County Marriage Licenses, Vol. I (1807-20) and Vol. II (1820-39), in the Genealogy Division, Indiana Library. The earliest licenses dating from 1790 to 1807 have **not** been found. This article was found by searcher Sandra (Jones) Davis, a descendant of Moses Bamford by his first wife (-------) Samuel's dtr Bentley, and verified by this searcher.

Page 51: **Moses Bamford** and Elizabeth Moppin were married 5.23.1822, Knox Co., IN.

Page 51: Robert Bamford and Matilda Ludington were married 6.17.1817, Knox Co., IN.

Be46.G. Unidentified newspaper clippings (?) possessed by S.G.J. Davis.

Be46.H. Sandra (Jones) Davis quoted correspondence from her relatives (?).

Be46.I. Registered birth-certificates, location of files, and BCRN's (?): Bamfords and their descendants; in possession of S.G.J. Davis.

Be46.J. "... Marriages ..." **Indiana Genealogist,** Vol. 1, p. 29 (date of periodical?): "Samuel Bamford m 11.28.1830, IN, to Julia Ray." Location not given by searcher S.G.J. Davis. Searcher Davis stated that this was Samuel Bamford's **first** marriage.

Be47A. Gazetteer and Business Directory of Chenango Co., NY, for 1869-70.

p. 257: (see xerox) Plymouth, Banford, Adam S., lot 3, farmer 180 (Plymouth).

p. 125: Bamford, James

p. 252: Pitcher; Bentley, Samantha, tailoress.

p. 193: Lincklaen; Bentley, Caleb (South Otselic PO), lot 136, farmer 100.

p. 193: Bentley, Gardner C., lot 136, farmer 113 (South Otselic).

p. 181: Bentley, Charles H., lot 51, dairyman and farmer 85; Guilford.

p. 181: Bentley, Pamelia S., lot 44, farmer 104 (Yaleville).

p. 101: Bentley, Hilland L., lot 92, marble cutter (German).

p. 136: Bentley, George A., lot 97, dairyman and farmer leases 176 (Afton PO).

Be47B. Index of Wills of Chenango Co., NY; filed Surrogate's Office, Norwich, NY; copied and compiled by Gertrude A. Barber, 1951.

(1) BENTLEY, Caleb, July 15, 1874; R535. (see SLC notes of 8/77).

Be47C. Index of Wills, Book "M" in Surrogate's Office, Onondaga Co., Syracuse, NY; copied by Minnie L. C. Coleman, 1937, Syracuse, NY: 1.5.1863 - 4.11.1865.

(1) BENTLEY, Hetty, m Comstock, Ebenezer.

Be47C. Unidentified source, book (out-of-print) located at Harvard U. in the Widener Lib.:

BENTLEY, Isaac, Bristol, espec. p. 239, Isaac (1852); p. 246 (Canadice); Bristol and Canadice.

Be47D. Milliken, Chas. F., **A History of Ontario County, NY, and Its People**, pub. Lewis Hist. Pub. Co., NY: 1911. Milliken: son of late Nathan J. and Orline O. (Sutton) Milliken, "comes of honored New England ancestry" (N.J. Milliken: printer).

BENTLEY, Loren G., Town Audits for year ending 12.31.1871, Richmond.

Be48. Mr. and Mrs. Marion Plumb Thatcher; res (either of two):

(1) Rt. 1, Box 63, Chandler, AZ.

On 8.15.1977, their son Ken Thatcher was called by telephone. He referred this searcher to his brother John Thatcher, res: P.O. Box 24, Oak City, UT 84649, and gave the telephone number. John's mother and father were there, but his father was recovering from a recent heart attack. His mother was well-informed and stated that Marion was a third-great grandson of Amariah, father of Joseph Plumb, whom I had wanted to learn more about. Joseph had married **Deborah Bentley** according to an "Archive Record" completed by "Family Representative" Marion Plumb Thatcher many years ago (1918 to 1939). Marion was a second-great-grandson of Eleanor Welch and Caleb Plumb, brother of Joseph Plumb, husband of Deborah Bentley **(Be:FDDDb.)**, the daughter of SAMUEL BENTLEY **(Be:FDDD.)**. Deborah was **not** identified by Mrs. Thatcher as SAMUEL'S daughter.

The reference that she recommended for me to see was the **Aspinwall Genealogy** by Algernon Aiken Aspinwall. Mrs. Thatcher did not have any information regarding the descendants of Joseph and Deborah (Bentley) Plumb.

She did, however, provide some clues that gave this searcher a somewhat clearer picture. Caleb Plumb was the husband of Eleanor Welch, dtr of **John Welch** and **Deborah Monroe**, and granddtr of Philip Welch. Caleb was b ca 1764.

Be49. "Archive Record" Sheets, Amariah Plumb and family. Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT.

Be50.A. Aspinwall, Algernon Aikin, **The Aspinwall Genealogy**, 1901; pages 99, 96, 67-68. Deborah Bentley **(Be:FDDDb.)**, SAMUEL'S dtr, m Joseph Plumb, son of Amariah and Sarah (Aspinwall) Plumb. Amariah Plumb, Joseph's son by marriage (to an unk. spouse) prior to his marriage to Deborah Bentley, married a woman named "Melinda Bentley," whose parents have not been identified by this searcher. Deborah Bentley's brother-in-law Caleb Plumb settled in Columbiana Co., OH, with his wife Eleanor Welch, and reared ten children.

The book entitled **The Aspinwall Genealogy** was written and compiled by Algernon Aikin Aspinwall. In his "preface" (7.1901) he wrote,

> About eleven years ago, I made up my mind that I would like to know something about my ancestors, and, accordingly, began to make some researches in that direction. At that time, I had no intention to compile a genealogy of the Aspinwall family, but, in the course of the researches mentioned, I came into possession of so much data concerning the early members of this family, that I finally resolved to attempt the collection of a record of all of Peter Aspinwall's descendants.

He was in the Civil War, enlisting 4.19.1861, on the first call for troops, in Co. "F," 33d NY Vol. Infantry, and remaining until the close of the war in 1865. He engaged in business in Titusville, PA, and remained in PA for twenty years. In 1885, he accepted an appointment as Chief of Division in the Department of the Interior, at Washington, DC, and resided there at the time he completed his book. In the year 1890, he began the collection of material for a genealogy of the Aspinwall family, and his book is the result of his labors in that connection. Algernon Aikin (**7**) was the son of Joseph Aikin (**6**), Salmon (**5**), Eleazar (**4**), Aaron (**3**), Eleazar (**2**), Peter (**1**) Aspinwall and Joseph's wife Frances (Maine) Aspinwall, born in Fort Ann, Washington Co., NY, 2.3.1845.

SAMUEL BENTLEY'S dtr Deborah Bentley (Be:FDDDb.) m Joseph Plumb, son of Sarah (**4**), Aaron (**3**), Eleazar (**2**), Peter (**1**) Aspinwall and **Sarah's** husband Amariah Plumb. **Sarah's** mother was Mrs. Aaron (Sarah Collins) Aspinwall, whose parentage had not been ascertained. Mrs. Amariah (**Sarah** Aspinwall) Plumb's five sisters and sisters-in-law were:

(1) Mrs. James (Dorothy Aspinwall) Hotchkiss,

(2) Mrs. Caleb (Zerviah Cady) Aspinwall,

(3) Mrs. Aaron (name not ascertained) Aspinwall,

(4) Mrs. Ebenezer (Lois Aspinwall) Smith, and

(5) Mrs. Eleazar (Elizabeth Steele) Aspinwall.

After the close of the Revolutionary War, **Sarah's** brother Aaron Aspinwall and wife removed to Stillwater, then in Saratoga Co., NY, where they lived for a number of years, but subsequently removed to Genoa, Cayuga Co., NY, where he died 5.1.1834. The descendants of only two of his sons were found by A.A.A.

Prior to the Rev. War, **Sarah's** brother Caleb Aspinwall bought land in Stillwater, then in Saratoga County, NY. He served in the CT Line during the Rev. In 1787, he is described on the land records at Norfolk, CT, as of Stillwater, and A.A.A. presumed that he removed there after the close of the War. A.A.A. adds, "No further trace of him has been found, nor of any descendants, and it is believed, therefore, that he had no other children than . . ." three whose deaths are given in the Norfolk CT, records (b 1776, 1777, 1781).

Sarah's sister Dorothy and husband James Hotchkiss went to Norfolk, CT.

Sarah's brother Eleazar Aspinwall and family left Norfolk, CT, after 1785, when he removed to Pawlet, VT, where he d 1804.

Sarah's sister Lois was known to have m Ebenezer Smith and that was all that was known.

Sarah (Aspinwall) Plumb's first-cousin Nathaniel Aspinwall, who changed the spelling of his name to "Aspenwall," was a native of Woodstock, CT.

Prior to 1761, he removed to Canterbury, CT. About that year, according to A.A.A., "he bought a tract of land at Lake Saratoga, NY, from a royal agent, 'on receipt of a peppercorn on the feast of St. Michael every year for 10 years, the clearing of several acres and then full possession.' He did not, however, remove to that place." He d 10.12.1777, Canterbury, CT.

Sarah (Aspinwall) Plumb's husband Amariah Plumb d 3.1.1778. **Sarah's** four children were (1) Joseph, (2) Amariah, (3) Caleb, and (4) Abijah Plumb. **Sarah's daughters-in-law were (1) Mrs. Caleb (Eleanor Welch) Plumb, (2) Mrs. Joseph (name not ascertained) Plumb (Joseph's first wife), (3) Mrs. Joseph (Deborah Bentley)** Plumb (Joseph's second wife). Joseph's son Amariah (by his first wife) m **Melinda Bentley (whose dtr?)**. Joseph's son Alva m Elizabeth (Vosburg) Bertis. Joseph's two daughters were Mrs. Joel (Sylvia Plumb) Crumb and Mrs. ----(Anna Plumb) Ireland.

Be50.B. Raber, Nellie M., Lakewood, OH, contributer, "Resident Proprietors of the Western Reserve, 1804, (an Ohio Tax List of 1804, Giving Resident Proprietors of the Western Reserve and a Key to the Location of Their Farms)," (continued from Vol. 31, December, 1943, page 113), **National Genealogical Quarterly**, March, 1944, 32: 7.

Proprietor's Name: **Caleb Plumb**, 15 acres, Range 2, Town 2,

Title: Contract. **Western Reserve, 1804**.

According to **Webster's New Geographical Dictionary**, Western Reserve was also known as Connecticut Reserve and was that tract of land, NE corner of Ohio, on S shore of Lake Erie, forming the part of the western lands of Connecticut not included in the region surrendered to Congress in 1786; extended southward to about 41° N and westward as far as Willard and Port Clinton; about 3,500,000 acres; sold in part to immigrants from Connecticut 1786—1800; ceded in 1800 to Ohio to form Trumbull Co., later divided into many counties.

Identity: the above-named "Caleb Plumb" was believed to have been the brother-in-law of Deborah Bentley **(Be:FDDDb.)**, SAMUEL'S dtr and wife of Joseph Plumb, who settled with his family in Columbiana Co., OH.

Be51. Powell, R. Janet, **Annals of the Forty, 1784—1818**, Grimsby Historical Society, 1950. This book was located in August of 1977 by this searcher in the Canadian section of the Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT. Ira Bentley married Sarah Beam, dtr of Jacob Beam, Sr. and wife Catherine (unknown surname).

The following is from page 25 of the book:

Sarah Beam — born in 1781, married
1. **Ira Bentley 28 Nov. 1799.**
2. **Amos Lyons** of Gainsborough. Licence issued 15 April 1825.
Sarah was buried beside her brother
John in Beamsville churchyard.
Sarah Lyons, 1781 — 1866.

Note that Sarah Beam was 18 years old when she m Ira Bentley. Note also that Widow Sarah (Beam) Bentley was 43 or 44 years old when she was m to Amos Lyons. All of her children appear to have been born before Sarah was m to Amos. Ira Bentley appears to have been the father of all of Sarah (Beam) (Bentley) Lyonses' children.

Be52. "Record of Marriages solemnized before me, Robert Nelles, one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the District of Niagara and Province of Upper Canada." The twelfth marriage on the list of 210 marriages, from 9.21.1796, to 9.17.1823, was performed for "**Ira Bently** and **Sarah Beam, Nov. 28th, 1799.**" **Ident. and Class.: Ira Bentley (Be:FDDDE.).**

Note: There is a gap in the marriages performed by Robert Nelles. The Rev. Wm Sampson came to Grimsby in 1817 and his records of marriages date from 1817 to 1822 at which time he was killed by the accidental discharge of his gun. The "Marriage Records of the Rev. William Sampson, 1817—1822" number 47 total, the first one recorded being that of his own. These marriage records of Robert Nelles as J.P. and the Rev. Wm. Sampson, first missionary of St. Andrew's Church in Grimsby, were printed on pages 88—94 of the book entitled **Annals of the Forty, 1784—1818** by R. J. Powell (preceding source Be51). Miss Powell added: "In accordance with law Justices of the Peace were empowered to perform marriages, provided that there was no clergyman within a radius of eighteen miles."

Be53. Probate; Canada, Ontario, Lincoln Co.; Index on Microfilm 579,149 and **Will** on Microfilm 579,151; **Will** located in Reg. Book 8, page 127, for year 1876. The microfilms were located on 8.3.1977, in the Genealogical Society Library, SLC, UT. The actual record is likely in the Lincoln County Court House Bldg., St. Catherines, ON. **Lyons, Sarah, Probate Reg. 8.127, for 1876.** On **1.25.1876**, the **Will** was proved and registered, the Surrogate Court Record, Lincoln Co. The **Will** had been written on **2.14.1864.**

Widow Sarah Lyons d 12.25.1866, Grimsby Twp, Lincoln Co., Province of Canada. The Executor was "friend" **Jacob Kennedy of Gainsborough Twp**, Lincoln County; the witnesses were **Rowley Kilborn** of the Twp of **Clinton** and **Richard Alfred Hurst** of Twp of **Grimsby**, Yeoman.

The Last Will and Testament of **Sarah** (her X mark) **Lyons**. Names and stated relationship to Sarah were in the **Will**. Identification and Classification have been added.

Sarah Lyons was the Widow **first** of Ira Bentley (**Be:FDDDE.**) and **secondly** of Amos Lyons.

Dtr	Catharine Hurst nee Bentley	**(Be:FDDDEd.)**
Son	Ira Bentley (Jr.)	**(Be:FDDDEE.)**
Dtr	Anna Kelsey nee Bentley	**(Be:FDDDEf.)**
Dtr	Asmana Rois nee Bentley	**(Be:FDDDEg.)**
Brother	Jacob Beam, late of Twp of Clinton	
Brother	John Beam, deceased.	

Be54. Probate; Canada, Ontario, Lincoln Co.; Index on Microfilm 579, 149 and Will on Microfilm 579,151; **Will** 7.683—Volume 7, pages 683—7. The microfilms were located on 8.3.1977, ion the Genealogical Society Library, SLC, UT. **Hurst, James W. A., Last Will and Testament**; Lincoln County Court House Bldg., St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada.

This **Will** was proved and registered in the Surrogate Court on **4.24.1874**. It had been written on **10.28.1873**. **James W. A. Hurst**, late of the Twp of Grimsby, Lincoln, Co., Ontario Province, **died** "on or about" **3.31.1874, Grimsby, Lincon Co.**, "fixed place of abode" at Twp of Grimsby, Lincoln Co. Granted to: **Richard A. Hurst and Albert J. Hurst** of Grimsby Twp, Lincoln Co., and **Jacob Kennedy** of Twp of Gainsboro, the Executor.

Names and stated relationship to **James W. A. Hurst** were in the **Will**; the classification of his widow **Catherine** and tentative classification of his children, or the genealogical connection with Ira Bentley (**Be:FDDDE.**) has been added.

(**Be:FDDDEd.**) Wife Catherine Hurst nee Bentley
(**Be:FDDDEdL.**) Son Albert J. Hurst
(**Be:FDDDEdA.**) Son Richard A. Hurst
(**Be:FDDDEdg.**) Dtr Susanna Hurst
(**Be:FDDDEdM.**) Son Algernon R. Hurst
(**Be:FDDDEdb.**) Dtr Elizabeth Case (sp?) nee Hurst
(**Be:FDDDEdc.**) Dtr Melissa Shingler nee Hurst
(**Be:FDDDEdd.**) Dtr Mary Griffin nee Hurst
(**BeFDDDEde.**) Dtr Margaret Griffin nee Hurst
(**Be:FDDDEdf.**) Dtr Sarah Gilmore nee Hurst

Albert J. Hurst (**Be:FDDDEdL.**) received 48 a of E½ of N½ of Lot (letter) L in Con. 4, 3rd Range (*etc.*)

Richard A. Hurst (**Be:FDDDEdA.**) received 48 a of land W½ of N½ of Lot (letter) L in Con. 4, 3rd Range from the Lake in the Gore of Grimsby Twp.; reserving two acres square parcel in NE corner of said W half.

Be55. *Ibid.*, **Probate**; Canada, Ontario, Lincoln Co.; Probate Record, Book **9**, pages **405** and **664**.

Book **9.405**. **Griffin, Margaret** . . . Admin . . . 1887. **Margaret Griffin of Clinton Twp, Lincoln Co., d 9.27.1887, "intestate,"** fixed place of abode at Twp. of Clinton, Lincoln Co. . . .

Husband: Abraham Griffin of the Village of Beamsville, Lincoln Co.

Book **9.664**. Admin. *de bouis non*, 11.12.1889. **Margaret Griffin, d 9.27.1887, Clinton, Lincoln Co. Lawful Husband: Abraham Griffin, of Village of Beamsville, Lincoln Co.**

Son: John C. Griffin, Twp of Rochester, Essex County, Ontario, Canada.

Classification: John C. Griffin (**Be:FDDDEdeA.**), the son of Margaret Griffin nee Hurst (**Be:FDDDEde.**), the dtr of Catherine Hurst nee Bentley (**Be:FDDDEd.**), the dtr of Ira Bentley (**Be:FDDDE.**).

Hurst of Grimsby Twp, Lincoln Co., and **Jacob Kennedy** of Twp of Gainsboro, the Executor.

Names and stated relationship to **James W. A. Hurst** were in the **Will**; the classification of his widow **Catherine** and tentative classification of his children, or the genealogical connection with Ira Bentley (**Be:FDDDE.**) has been added.

(**Be:FDDDEd.**) Wife Catherine Hurst nee Bentley
(**Be:FDDDEdL.**) Son Albert J. Hurst
(**Be:FDDDEdA.**) Son Richard A. Hurst
(**Be:FDDDEdg.**) Dtr Susanna Hurst
(**Be:FDDDEdM.**) Son Algernon R. Hurst
(**Be:FDDDEdb.**) Dtr Elizabeth Case (sp?) nee Hurst

Be56. The **1851 Census Report** for Canada, Ontario, Lincoln Co., Grimsby Twp; Microfilm (#?); Genealogical Society Library, SLC, UT; 8.3.1977.

While searching for evidence of the family of **James W. A. Hurst**, this searcher found:

26. James Beam, Farmer, b U.S., 60 y, no religion.
31. Hannah Beam, b U.S., E. Meth., 83 y. Widow.

Information located on another page (with classification added):

*18. **James W. A. Hurst**, Farmer, b Canada, WM, 56 y. m, M.
***19. Catherine Hurst, b Canada, WM, 45 y, f, M.** **(Be:FDDDEd.)**
20. Edroy Hurst, F, WM, 17, m, attends school. **(Be:FDDDEdH.)**
21. Robert Hurst, F, WM, 15, m, at. sch. **(Be:FDDDEdI.)**
22. Alfred Hurst, F, WM, 11, m, at. sch. **(Be:FDDDEdK.)**
*23. Albert Hurst, F, WM, 11, m, at. sch. **(Be:FDDDEdL.)**
*24. Algernon Hurst, F, WM, 9, m, at. sch. **(Be:FDDDEdM.)**
25. Lucella Hurst, F, WM, **13**, f, at. sch. **(Be:FDDDEdj.)**

Be57. The **1861 Census Report** for Canada, Ontario, Lincoln Co.; on Microfilm 349,293, Genealogical Society Library, SLC, UT; notes of 8.3.1977. The part of the CR for Lincoln Co., **Grimsby Twp** was searched. Classification (tentative) added:

** 1. James Hurst, Farmer, b UC, WM, 60, m, M ("age next birthday")
** 2. Catherine Hurst, b UC, WM, 60, f, M. **(Be:FDDDEd.)**
3. Susan Hurst, b UC, WM, 26, f, S. **(Be:FDDDEdg.)**

***Also named in the 1861 CR**, Grimsby, and in the **Last Will and Testament** of James W. A. Hurst, 1874.

****Also named in both the **1851 CR** for Grimsby and in the **Last Will and Testament** of James W. A. Hurst, 1874.

4.	Edwin Hurst, b UC, WM, 25, m, S.	**(BeFDDDEdH.)**
5.	Robert Hurst, b UC, WM, 23, m, S, absent.	**(Be:FDDDEdI.)**
6.	Rosetta Hurst, b UC, WM, 19, f, S.	**(Be:FDDDEdj.)**
7.	Alfred Hurst, b UC, WM, 17, m, S, absent.	**(BeFDDDEdK.)**
* 8.	Albert Hurst, b UC, WM, 17, m, S.	**(Be:FDDDEdL.)**
* 9.	Algernon Hurst, b UC, WM, 14, m, S.	**(Be:FDDDEdM.)**
10.	Sarah Lions, b US, Baptist, 80, f, Widow.	— Widow of Ira Bentley **(Be:FDDDE.)** and Amos Lyons —

On another page for Grimsby Twp:

. . . Daniel Lyons, b New Brunswick, C of E, 90, m, Widower.

Be58. "Clinton Township Municipal Council Minutes," **Minute Book**, Twp of Clinton, Lincoln Co., Ontario, Canada Records; copy on Microfilm No. 22975 (red) (8.1977), Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT. Extracts from 1793 — 1802 were written as notes by this searcher (8.1977). **Identification:**

(1) **Ira Bentley (Be:FDDDE.) in Clinton Twp, Lincoln Co., Upper Canada, in 1800**, named as a farmer having livestock with distinguishing ear-marks (stock marks) (description).

(2) Ira Bentley's father-in-law **Jacob Beam ("Beaum")** named as inhabitant (a Town Warden) of Clinton Township, Lincoln Co., in 1793, with accompanying note: **"Jacob Beam came to Canada 1788."** The writing of the note was different and appeared lighter in shade.

Queries: From where and why did Ira Bentley come to Clinton Twp? Where were the rest of the Bentleys who were supposed to have been in Clinton Twp before or during the land petitioning in Markham, York County?

Be59. Newspaper article of Meaford, Grey Co., Ontario, Canada, dated July 4, 1890, entitled "A Distinguished Visitor."

Randall Spencer Bentley's granddaughter Maria Hannah or Hannah Maria (Bentley) Foreman **(Be:FDDACFBf.)**, William's dtr, of Los Angeles, CA, in her letter of 3.29.1927, to Mrs. Mary (Lovering) Holman (Watertown, MA) and Harry C. Bentley (Boston) (Be34C.), provided the "leads" to establish the **fact** that John Bunyan (author of **Pilgrim's Progress**) was our Bentley-family kinsman. The leads are here but certain obvious errors, including inachronisms, do appear in the quoted article, a copy of which was undoubtedly received in 1890 by Maria Hannah (Bentley) Foreman from her Aunt Maria (Bentley) Sinclair **(Be:FDDADFc.)**, who resided in Meaford,

*Also named in both the **1851 CR** for Grimsby and in the **Last Will and Testament** of James W. A. Hurst, 1874.

Grey Co., Ontario, in 1890. A typewritten copy of the article made by "Mrs. Hannah M. Foreman, Los Angeles," follows:

> Among the visitors at Meaford at present we have Mr. R. S. Bentley of Detroit, a venerable gentleman of over ninety summers and father of Mrs. D. Sinclair of this town.
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> The ancestor, of the above, was Benjamin Bentley the friend and relative of that justly celebrated patriot John Bunyan who suffered with others in the earlier part of the Seventeenth century much persecution, and was imprisoned in Bedford jail, England, twelve months because of his adherence to the cause of religious liberty and while imprisoned, he wrote that wonderful narrative **Pilgrim Progress**.
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> Benjamin Bentley, finding bondage in England, unbearable, was forced to leave his native land with a number of others in 1680. They sailed for America where it was presumed they could worship their God free and unrestrained as their conscience dictated. On their arrival in the colony of Massachusetts they found persecution there too. The Colonial Rule(r)s had expelled Rodger Williams from their territory, his opinions being too liberal for them.
>
> Mr. Williams is said to be the first Baptist Minister in America. When denied his civil rights, he started out alone and wandered southward into unorganized territory of Rhode Island. Benjamin Bentley and some five others followed him up and overtook him in the woods. They travelled on together until they, tired and weary, reached a beautiful spring of clear water. They all stood around the Spring when Mr. Williams lifted up his hands and thanked the Most High for his goodness unto them thus far then thrust a stick into the well and named it Providence, which at the present time is the Capital of the State of Rhode Island.
>
> The descendants of Benjamin Bentley were very numerous and influential in the State but in time they scattered over into many of the States and territories and even into Canada. The Bentley family (members) so far as known to the writer are God fearing people and venerate the memory of their great kinsman Bunyan.
>
> Such is the stock from which our visitor has sprung. He has passed the greater part of his long life in Canada but latterly he makes his home in winter with his youngest son who is a medical practitioner in Detroit, and in summer (when his health will permit which in general is fairly good considering his age) he makes a tour around visiting his numerous children among which he claims thirty-two great-grandchildren. Meaford Paper, July 4, 1890.

Mrs. Ira (Hannah Maria or Maria Hannah Bentley) Foreman of 3722½ E. 3rd St., Los Angeles, 3.29.1927, corresponded with Mary Lovering Holman, 39Winsor Ave., Watertown, MA.

This searcher located the correspondence in the Bentley "Safe-MS. 27" in the NEHGS Library, Boston, 7.1977.

Be60. Letter of 9.29.1977, from Roderick Bruce Bentley (**Be:FDDAC-FGCD.**) of Shields, KS 67874.

Be61. Sinclair, Duncan, "The Life and Ancestry of Randall Spencer Bentley, Late of the Township of Markham, County of York, but Now of the Township of South Dorchester County of Elgin, Province of Ontario, Canada," manuscript written ca 1890. Duncan Sinclair married Maria Bentley, dtr of Randall Spencer Bentley, Sr. A typewritten copy was sent to this reviser from R. Ferris Randall, 2816 Roswell Way, Eden, NY 14057, in his letter of 11.13.1977. R. F. Randall had been corresponding with Edwin M. Bentley of Seattle, WA, who was aware of this searcher's genealogical interests in the Bentley family in Canada. Subject: R. S. Bentley (**Be:FDDACF.**), b 1800, d 1893.

Be62. Albro, Mrs. Blanche W., Weaver Hill Road, R.F.D., Coventry, RI. Mrs. Albro located relevant Bentley records in old West Greenwich, East Greenwich, and Exeter deeds, birth and marriage records, and in other sources; correspondence extended from 10.13.1977, through December 1978. Details are given in accompanying references.

Be63. The National Cyclopaedia of American Biography, Vol. 23, 1933, p. 306, **BENTLEY, James Knowlton**; portrait on facing page. Ident. as son of William Clarke Bentley; class. as James Knowlton Bentley, **Be:FDDABBC**. An excellent patrilineal trace to WILLIAM BENTLEY, the RI-Bentley Progenitor, is given, **all of J.K. Bentley's stated Bentley-ancestors are in accord.**

Be64. Historical Atlas of Elgin County, Ontario, Illustrated, Toronto: H.R. Page and Co., 1877 (original); reprinted by Cumming Atlas Reprints, Stratford, Ontario, 1976, p. XVIII. "Personal Sketch" of Edmund Sheppard, husband of Nancy Bentley (**Be:FDDACFd.**). **A lead to the Bentley origin in England is given: a Bentley ancestor was closely related to John Bunyan, the English preacher and writer, b 1628, d 1688.**

Be65.A. West Greenwich, **Land Evidence**, Book 4, Pages 456-8.

This Indenture made this **7th day of March AD 1814, William Bently of Coventry in the County of Kent and State of Rhodeisland and P.P.** of the One part and **Caleb Bently of West Greenwich** in the County and State aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth — That the said **William Bently** for and in Consideration of a Certain Quantity of Land this day Conveyed by Deed by the said **Caleb Bently** to me the Receipt Whereof I do hereby acknowledge and am therewith fully Satisfied & Contented have demised Granted and to Farm Let, and doth hereby demise Grant and to Farm Let unto the said **Caleb Bently** the following described Lot of Land with the buildings and appurtunances to the same belonging (*viz*) **One Lot situated lying and being partly in Exeter in the County of Washington and partly in West Greenwich aforesaid Containing Twenty Acres and fifty eight Rods, also two other Lots lying and being in said West Greenwich, One Containing by Estimation forty four acres the other Containing Sixteen Square Rods** and for a more particular description of

Be:

the **above Leased premises**, Reference may be had to **a Deed this day Executed** by the said **Caleb Bentley** to me, and the said **William Bently further Leases** to the said **Caleb Bently** one yoke of oxen two Cows one horse and two hogs to have and to hold the said demises premises with all the appurtenances from the day of the date hereof for and during the Natural Life of the said **Caleb** without any Let Molestation or hindrance Whatsoever, In Witness thereof Whereof we have hereunto Interchangeably Set our hands & Seals the day of the date above mentioned.

Signed in presence of — **William Bently** (Seal)

Thomas Albro **Caleb Bently** (Seal)

Betsey Bently Recorded October 1st AD 1814 — by

his
James X Kittle **Jona. Nichols**, Tn Clk
mark

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Know all men by these presents that **I William Bently of Coventry** in the County of Kent and State of Rhodeisland & PP, do stand Obligated and bound unto **Caleb Bently** and **Leah Bently My honored Father and Mother** in the Penal sum of Eight Hundred Dollars in Consideration of they Deeding their Property in Land to me which sum to be paid to them or to Either of them living, the payment Whereof I bind myself my heirs and assigns family by these presents Sealed with my seal dated **this 7th day of March AD 1814**. The Condition of the above Obligation is such, If so be that the above bound **William Bently** shall well and truly maintain and support the said **Caleb Bently** and the said **Leah Bently** with every kind of support Necessary for the support of Life during their Natural Lives and pay the said **Caleb Bentley's** just Debts now owing with having the use of the lands he hath his life in Then this Obligation to be null and Void, Otherwise to stand in full force and virtue as witness my hand and seal in the

presence of — **William Bentley** (Seal)

Thomas Albro "Recorded October 1st AD 1814 by

Betsey Bentley **Jona. Nichols**, T'n Clk

his
James X Kittle
mark

Know all men by these presents that **I William Bently of Coventry in the County of Kent and in the State of Rhodeisland and Providence Plantations**, do Stand bound and Obligated unto **Randal Bently of Albany in the County of Albany in the State of New York and unto Nathan Bentley and Isaac Bently of the Town of Carmilous in the County of Anedaga in the State of New York and Betseyan**

Bentley of West greenwich in the County of Kent in the State of Rhodeisland & PP in the penal sum of six Hundred Dollars to be paid to them and to their heirs Executors or Administrators or to their Certain Attorney, Sealed with my seal dated **the seventh day of March AD 1814.** The Condition of the above Obligation is such, that with a Proviso that the above bounded **William Bentley** shall well and truly

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pay or Cause to be paid to **Randal Bently Nathan Bentley and Isaac Bentley and Betseyan Bentley** as above described to them their heirs Executors or Administrators to each one of them One Hundred Dollar to be paid to them or to each one of them Within One year after the decease of **my honored father Caleb Bentley of West Greenwich** and if so be that the said **William Bentley** Shall well and truly pay the said sum as above described then this Obligation to be null and void, Otherwise to stand in full force and virtue witness my hand in presence of —

Thomas Albro	**William Bentley** (Seal)
Betsey Bentley	Recorded October 1st AD 1814 by
his **James X Kittle** mark	**Jona. Nichols** T'n Cl'k

Identification and Classification:

William Bentley (Be:FDDAC.) was **the son of Leah and Caleb Bentley (Be:FDDA.)** as stated and the **brother** of **Randal Bently (Be:FDDAB.) of Albany,** of **Nathan Bentley (Be:FDDAD.) of Camillus, Onondaga Co., NY,** of **Isaac Bently (Be:FDDAE.) of Camillus, Onondaga Co., NY,** as implied, and **Uncle of Betseyan Bentley (Betsey Ann) (Be:FDDAHa.)**, as implied, the **daughter of William's deceased brother Spencer Bentley (Be:FDDAH.) and witness Betsey Bentley, William's sister-in-law.** Note that in this document **no** mention is made of a "Sarah Bentley," a "Betsey Bentley" (other than as a witness only), a "Sally Bentley," or a "Hannah Bentley."

Query: Are the other witnesses related to William Bentley too? If so, how are Thomas Albro and James Kittle (witnesses) related to Caleb?

Be65.B. West Greenwich, RI, **Land Evidence**, Book 4, Pages 427-9.

To all people to Whom these presents shall Comend **Caleb Bently** of West greenwich in the County of Kent and State of Rhodisland and Providence Plantations Yeoman, Send Greeting, Know Ye that I the Said **Caleb Bently** for and in Consideration of the sum of one Thousand Dollars in hand before the Ensealing hereof will and truly Paid by **William Bently of Coventry** in the County and State aforesaid Yeoman, the Receipt Whereof I do hereby Acknowledge and am Myself therewith fully Satisfied Contented and paid and thereof and of every part and parcel thereof do Exonerate Acquit and Discharge

unto him the Said **William Bently** his heirs Executors and Administrators forever by these presents, have Given Granted Bargained Sold, Aliened Enfeoffed Conveyed and Confirmed and by these presents do freely fully and Absolutely Give Grant bargain Sell Aleine Enfeoff Convey and Confirm unto him the said **William Bently** his heirs and assigns forever, the following Described Tracts of Land, with all the building and appurtunances to the same Belonging (*viz*) **one Lot Situate lying and being partly in Exeter in the County of Washington and partly in West Greenwich aforesaid Containing Twenty acres and fifty eight Rods**, no more not less and is buted and bounded as follows (*viz*) beginning at a highway at a Stake and a heap of Stones Called Natte Corner, thence runing Easterly by **land formerly owned by Samuel Spencer** forty Rods thence Northwesterly by **land owned by the heirs of Pardon Tillinghast** to **Thomas Albro's Southwest Corner** to a White oak tree and from thence North by **said Albro's Land** to the highway, and from thence Westerly by the highway to a Stake and heap of stones, and from thence Southerly by the highway to the first Mentioned bounds. **Also one other piece of Land** situate lying and being in **Westgreenwich** aforesaid Containing by Estimation **forty four acres** be the Same more or Less, and bounded as followeth (*viz*) Easterly on a highway Southerly on land formerly Owned by **Joseph Case** of Westerly on said Case land, Northerly on Land owned by **Amos Reynolds**, being a Tract of Land formerly owned by **Palmer Cleavland** and by **John Cleavland** the Same was Conveyed by Deed to **Martha Brown** on the 17th day of January AD 1767, to which Deed Reference may be had for a more Particular Description of the premises. Also one other Tract of Land situate lying and being in said West Greenwich and is bounded as follows. Beginning at a Certain Plumb tree with a heap of stones about it being the Northwesterly Corner Runing from thence to a Certain Rock in the End of the end of the Wall adjoining the highway and from thence Westerly on the highway to the Division line between **Amos and Simon Reynolds former Grantors of the above piece of Land and the said Caleb Bently** from thence to the first mentioned bounds. To have and to hold the Said Granted and bargained premises with all the appurtunances privileges and commodities to the Same belonging or in any wise Appertaining to him the said **William Bently** his heirs and assigns forever, to his and their only Proper use benefit and behoof forever, and I the said Caleb Bently for myself my heirs Executors and Administrators, do Covenant promise and Grant to and with the Said William Bently his heirs and Assigns that at and before the Ensealing hand, I am the true sole and Lawfull owner of the above bargained premises and am Lawfully siezed and Possessed the same in my own Proper Right as a Good perfect and Absolute Estate of Inheritance in fee simple and have in myself good right full power and Lawfull authority to Grant bargain Sell Convey and Confirm the said bargained premises in manner as aforesaid, and that the said **William Bently** his heirs and Assigns shall and May from time and at all times forever hereafter by force and virtue of these

presents Lawfully Quickly and peaceably have hold use occupy Posses and Enjoy the said Demised and bargained premises with the appurtunances free and clear, and freely and Clearly Acquited - - - and Discharged of and from all and all manner of former or other Gifts Grants bargains sales Leases Mortgages Wills Entails Jointers Dowries Judgments Executions and Incumbrances of what Name or Nature soever that might in any measure or degree Abstruct or make void this present Deed.

Furthermore the said **Caleb Bently** for myself my heirs Exeutors and Administrators do Covenant and Engage the above demises premises to him the said **William Bently** his heirs and assigns against the Lawfull Claims or demands of any Person or Persons Whatsoever forever to warrant secure and defend by these presents. In Witness Whereof I have here unto Set my hand and seal this 7th day of March AD 1814.

Signed sealed and duly Executed in presence of
Thomas Albro
Betsey Bently
his
James X Kittle
mark

Recorded **April 30th AD 1814 by**

Jona. Nichols -,-. Clk

Caleb Bently (Seal)

Kent -.-. at **Coventry** the **23rd day of March AD 1814,** Personally appeared the within Named **Caleb Bently** and Acknowledged the Within Instrument by him Subscribed to be his Voluntary act and Deed hand and Seal there unto affixed before me --

Elisha Whitman Justice Peace--

Be66. Historical Atlas of the County of York and the Township of West Gwillimbury and Town of Bradford in the County Simcoe, ONT., Toronto, 1878; reprinted by Ross Cumming, Port Elgin, Ontario ca 1976, "Township of Markham," p 13.

"From the Domesday Book we obtain the following names of persons who received patents of land in Markham at an early date."

Second Concession, 17th name: Ira Bentley, 1801.
Fifth Concession, 1st name: "Reuben Bentz," 1815.[1]
Fifth Concession, 2nd name: Samuel Bentley, 1808.
Fifth Concession, 3rd name: William Bentley, 1802.
Eighth Concession, 3rd name: Elijah Bentley, 1801.

Note: The names of Samuel Bentley's sons-in-law Moses Bamford and Joseph Plumb do **not** appear in the Domesday Book for Markham.

Be67. Tombstone inscription for William Bentley, Caleb's son, d 4.28.1836, at the age of 63y 3m 11d. He was bur in the Bentley Burial

[1] "Reuben Bentz" is a **spelling error** for "Reuben Bentley."

Ground on his property in Markham Twp, York Co., Ontario, Canada. This searcher has **not** seen the inscription or a photograph of it. Is William's grave located in Con. 5 Lot 3 or in "Con. 6 Lot 5" (or other)?

Be68. Tombstone inscription for Spencer Bentley, Caleb's son.

"Spencer Bentley Died in 1811. Aged 23 y'rs. Betsey Bissell His Wife Died in 1872. In her 84th year."

Photograph of the inscription was taken by Mrs. Blanche W. Albro of Coventry, August, 1978. The cemetery is located in Kent Co. off of the Hopkins Hill Road (West Greenwich area). Mrs. Albro commented: "As Rhode Island was one of the first states settled, everyone buried their families on their own farm." The cemetery is approximately 40 feet by 40 feet[1] enclosed with a stone wall. There are ten more graves marked with field stones.

Be69.A. West Greenwich, RI, Book **2**, "Births and Deaths," p. **116**. Letters enclosed in parentheses at left indicate the birth sequence for Caleb's children.

(**D**) "Nathan Bentley **3rd Son of Caleb Bentley**, of West Greenwich, and Leah his wife was born January the 24th day AD 1777"

(**E**) "Isaac Bentley 4th Son of the Said Caleb Bentley and Leah his wife was Born February the 28th day AD 1779"

(**f**) "Betsy Bentley **2nd daughter** of the S'd Caleb Bentley and Leah his wife was born February the 28th day AD 1781"

(**g**) "Sally Bentley 3rd daughter of the Said Caleb Bentley and Leah his wife was Born March the 4th day AD 1783"

(**H**) "Spencer Bentley 5th Son of the Said Caleb Bentley and Leah his wife was Born April the 23rd day AD 1787"

The above is quoted **verbatim** from the original record, a copy of which this searcher received in 1978. Please note the expressions "3rd Son of" and 2nd daughter of" very carefully. These expressions were **not** reproduced in J.N. Arnold's **Vital Record of Rhode Island**, Vol. 1, "Kent County, West Greenwich, Births and Deaths," page 62, with reference to Book **2**, p. **116**; *i.e.* **no** sequence in birth by sex given.

The conclusion the reader must make from having noted the quoted expressions is that there can now be no question whether Caleb and Leah had three or four older children. The above quoted record indicates quite clearly that their three older children, whose names and dates of births are **not** recorded above, were **two sons** and **one daughter** and **not the two daughters and one son** J.N. Arnold records for Caleb and Leah in **Vital Record of Rhode Island,** Vol. 5, "Washington County, Exeter, Births and Deaths," page 40, with reference to Book 2, p. 169.

[1] Probably closer to 33 feet by 33 feet or "two rods square" (see Be41C.).

The names that Arnold reported were (1) Sarah, (2) Hannah, and (3) William as Caleb's eldest three children. See other comments regarding this report for Caleb's sons Randall **(Be:FDDAB.)** and William **(Be:FDDAC.)** See Be69.C..

Be69.B. West Greenwich, "Births, Marriages, and Deaths," Book **2**, page **86**: interpretation? ident.? (Be356)

(1) West Greenwich March the 19th Day AD **1786** These may Certify all Persons that **Stephen Albro** of West Greenwich is Lawfully Married to and with **Hannah Bently** of West Greenwich also Daughter of **Caleb Bently** this done by me the Subscriber

Elder Nathan Hill of the
Baptist Church which is of
North Kingstown

(2) **Lydia Albro** first Daughter of the said **Stephen Albro** and **Hannah** his wife was born the 30th day of July **1786**

(3) West Greenwich September the 4 day AD 1791 These are to Certify to all persons that **Stephen Albro** of West Greenwich is Lawfully Married to and with **Amey Hopkins** Daughter of **Joseph Hopkins** of West Greenwich also by me.

Elder Nathan Hill

Be69.C. Town Meeting Book—Old Book of Varieties Book 3—1743, Exeter, RI; the lower half of **page 169**. This record was found by Mrs. Blanche Albro with the assistance of Gladys Palmer, and a copy was sent to this searcher who received it on 8.30.1979. See the photo.

The Birth of Children of **Caleb Bently** by **Leah** his wife
Sarah Bentely Eldest Daughter of said Caleb Bently and born
of the body of Leah his wife **In East Greenwich**
May the 12th AD 1764
Hannah Bently Second Daughter of Caleb Bently & born of the
Body of Leah his wife **in Exeter February**
the 12th AD 1766
William Bently Eldest Son of Caleb Bently & Born of the
Body of Leah his wife **In Exeter January**
the 17 AD 1768 —

Comment: The records of the births of these three children born to Caleb Bentley and wife Leah appear to have been written by the same person at one time. This searcher, perhaps like the reader, **wonders** if the information is correct. Please compare the foregoing with the birth information for other children of Caleb Bently and wife Leah (**see Be69.A.**).

J.N. Arnold must have relied upon the information given in the Exeter Town Meeting Book for his report (**see Be32.I.**).

Be69.D. Foley, Janet W., **Early Settlers of New York State**, Vol. 3, No. 1, p. 10. **Capt. Randall Bentley, d March 7, 1824, ae. 51 y.** Ident. and class.: (**Be:FDDAB.**). Randall's wife Betsey (-----) d May 3, 1848, ae. 81 y, bur in

cem in Rensselaer County, NY (the Hudson River separates Rensselaer Co. from Albany). A copy of this book is in the Genealogy Section of the Los Angeles Central Library, Los Angeles, CA.

Be70. West Greenwich, Book **2**, "Marriages," page **160**:

Bentley, Isaac of Caleb of W. G. married Martha Reynolds of Francis of North Kingstown, Sept. 23, 1804.

Be71. General Roeliff Brinkeroff of Mansfield, OH, in his monograph of 1897 entitled **The Bentley Family with Genealogical Records of Ohio Bentleys and Known as The Tribe of Benjamin**, claims that his four children Robert Bentley (**8**) Brinkerhoff, Adelaide (**8**) Brinkerhoff, Mary (**8**) Brinkerhoff, and Roeliff (**8**) Brinkerhoff, Jr. are the children of his wife Mary (**7**) Bentley, dtr of Baldwin (**6**), son of Robert (**5**), son of Benjamin (**4**) (?), son of George (**3**) (?), son of William (**2**), son of WILLIAM (**1**) BENTLEY (**?**). Primary documentary-evidence is desired. Copies of this monograph are in both the Los Angeles City Library and in the Genealogical Society Library in Salt Lake City as well as in the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library, Boston.

Be72. Lineage Book of the National Society of Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America, Vol. 17, 1928, pp 100 (-101); "Bentley 2227," references (p 163): (1) **Brown Gen.** (Vol.I), (2) Wheeler's **Hist. Stonington** (CT), (3) Austin's **Gen. Dict. RI**, and (4) Draper's **Index Conn. Rev. Pensions. Ident. and class. (?) (tentative):** Mrs. Merton Walter (Annie Louise Bentley) Handy **(Be:FBBD????.)** of New Haven, CT (dates?). Annie is alleged to have descended patrilineally from Samuel Horton (**7**) Bentley, son of Daniel (**6**), George (**5**), George (**4**), George (**3**), William (**2**), WILLIAM (**1**) BENTL(E)Y. Her mother Louise Augusta Wheeler's patrilineal descent includes Joseph (**7**), Samuel (**6**), Joseph (**5**), Richard (**4**), Richard (**3**), Isaac (**2**), Thomas (**1**) Wheeler (res. of Lynn, MA, as early as 1635).

Be73.A. The DAR application from for a descendant of Gideon Bentley **(Be:FDDF.)** was accepted by the Oneonta Chapter after some corrections and additions. Gideon's descendant Mrs. Henry Stoner (Edith Frances German) Gage **(Be:FDDFBCBac.)** of 18 Reynolds Ave., Oneonta, NY (13820) had her application notarized on 5.11.1967. Her "References for Lineage" included (without pinpoint documentation) (see p. 1496).

(1) notarized excerpts from the **Bible** of Lyman Cook German;

(2) excerpts from the **Bible** of Benajah D. Arnold;

(3) excerpts from the **Bible** of Ransom Bentley, in possession of Mrs. Ralph Beck, Mechanicville, NY (Rte 2, 12118)—1979 res: Hollinger Apts, Clifton Park, NY. Also, Rosaline B. Towar's **Family Stories** (1950), p. 20, with tombstone pictures;

(4) Nat. No. 174707, Mary Bentley Wells, incl. also tombstone pictures;

(5) Nat. No. 174707, Mary Bentley Wells, Rhode Island Pension, Vol. V (1920), p 317; and, in addition, these others:

(6) **Rhode Island Vital Records**, Vol. 5, p. 8 (Exeter) and p. 40;

(7) Sylvester's Saratoga Co., NY (1878), pp 99, 513; and note

(8) "Gen. 5 checked by Nat'l #174707."

A copy of the foregoing source, Mrs. Gage's application, was sent to this searcher from Mrs. Edith (Bentley) Russell, also a descendant of Gideon. She obtained this searcher's mailing address from Mrs. Blanche Albro of Coventry, RI, in June of 1979.

Be73.B. Telephone conversation, 8.11.1979, between Mrs. Henry S. (Edith Frances German) Gage (**Be:FDDFBCBac.**) of 18 Reynolds Ave., Oneonta, NY (13820) (1-607-432-4874), and this searcher, was regarding Mrs. Gage's identification and classification as a descendant of Gideon Bentley (**Be:FDDF.**). Her DAR application, she claimed, was approved on the strength of the sources of documentary evidence presented in an earlier-accepted DAR application made by Mary Bentley Wells. This searcher has neither classified nor even identified Mary (Bentley) Wells.

Mrs. Gage reported the fact that Gideon's obituary appeared in the **Daily Journal** of Syracuse, NY, on Saturday Evening, 1.23.1858, according to the copy in her possession. The obit revealed the verifiable fact of Gideon's birth on 8.12.1750, "the town of Exeter (R.I.)," and reported his death as "a few days since."

This searcher was given Mrs. Gage's phone number by Mrs. Elsie (Bentley) Russell of Sacramento.

On August 16, 1979, while in New Ulm, MN, on a visit, this searcher received from Mrs. Gage (1) a copy of Gideon Bentley's obituary as it appeared in the Syracuse newspaper (Mrs. Margaretta Keeler Beck's copy) and (2) a copy of the transcription record in Ransom Bentley's **Bible**.

Be74. Correspondence of George H. Selleck of Exeter, NH, dated 9.14.1945, to Mrs. Mary (Lovering) Holman of Lexington, MA. This letter is on file in the Bentley "Safe Ms No. 27," NEHGS Library, Boston, MA.

In his letter to Mrs. Holman, **George H. Selleck** refers to correspondence received from a **"Mrs. Underwood" of Glens Falls, NY;** he quotes her as stating that **Joseph of Queensbury was born in Warwick, RI."**

Who was Joseph Bentley of Queensbury? How was he related to Joseph Bentley (**Be:FDDB.**), son of Benjamin, son of Thomas? How was he related to Joseph Bentley (**Be:FDCAI.**), son of Tillinghast, son of William?

This searcher's notes from the information supplied by Mr. Selleck follow:

(1) Richard Bentley and wife Diana Vaughan were named.

(2) The Vaughans went to the Glens Falls region before 1800.

(3) Lebanon "Bentleys went to Kent and elsewhere."

(4) Twelve grandchildren of William Bentley (**Be:FB.**) went to Kent, etc.

(5) William Bentley (**Be:FDC**)[1] m Elizabeth Tillinghast, who d in Beekman, Dutchess Co., NY, 1770; their 7 CH b North Kingstown, RI (no sources stated): Tillinghast, b 1735;[2] William, b 1736; Taber, b 1738, m Eliz. Vanderburgh; Pardon, b 1740; Joseph, b 1742, d y;[3] William, b 1749;[4] and John.[5]

(6) D.A.R. records were quoted: Joseph Bentley, b 1742, d 1827; places were **not** specified; unidentified Joseph.

(7) According to the 1790 CR (H of F), NY, a "Joseph Bentley was of Stephentown (?).

(8) A "Joseph Bentley" of Westfield d 1810, bur in unmarked grave in a field in Queensbury; a "Benjamin Bentley" resided in Kingsbury with children; Kingsbury and Queensbury are adjacent townships.

(9) An Isaac (?) d 1842 in Glens Falls area; was he a son of Benjamin? If so, then Isaac was **not** a descendant of Joseph. Was there more than one Bentley family living in the Glens Falls area in 1790? An unknown (unidentified) Sarah Bentley m an "Amos Gillett" in 1763; they had a CH named "Asa Gillett," b 1764. A "Joseph Gillett" m "Maritje Knickerbocker," sister of Rulof, whose dtr Mary (K) m 1796 Asa Bentley, son of Joseph. Rulof and Maritje were the children of Harmen Knickerbocker and Catlina Duytcher (m ca 1732), both alive in 1771.

(10) In or near Amenia, Dutchess Co., NY, ca 1772, Joseph Bentley m Jane (Jannetze) Krieger,d before 1790; CH: Asa, Crigger (sp?) (Krieger-?) Richard, and Anna, who m a Strong (?). Was Joseph's wife Jane the dtr of Stephen Krieger? Did Joseph Bentley m next Chloe Moon? Please see p. 1228. Also see **Be145.**

These ten items conclude selected notes from 4 of 5 cards; number 5 card is missing.

Be75. Bodge, George M. (Rev.) (Communicator) (Dorchester, MA), "Soldiers in King Philip's War," **New England Historic Genealogical Society Register**, January, 1883, 37: 61-76; "**William Bently**, Soldier credited with Military Service under Capt. Daniel Henchman, '02-07-00,' August 20, 1675," p. 65 ('two pounds seven shillings').

Be76. Harlow, Annah Cummings, "A Short History of Mary Bentley Smith," 1949 (ae.90) (d 12.29.1951); the account was copied in 1957 by Annah's granddaughter Elthea (Harlow) Pascoe; "**Bible** and Family Records,"

[1] William, son of THOMAS.

[2] See Joseph Bentley (**Be:FDCAI.**).

[3] Titus names five eldest sons also.

[4] Titus names "Gideon" as the sixth of six CH; Wm-1749-excluded.

[5] Titus does **not** name John as a son.

Vol. 17, California State Society of the D.A.R.; **Microfilm** 0844419, G.S.L., S.L.C., UT. **Ident. and class.:** Mary Bentley **(Be:FBBHh.)**.

Be77. Secondary sources **not** precisely indicated in **correspondence** from R. Ferris Randall, 2816 Roswell Parkway, Eden, NY 14057, July 24, 1978. He names the children of Caleb Bentley, son of George son of William son of William Bentley, Sr. of Kingstown, RI. He named Caleb's eleven CH, the first two by his wife Mary Gardner and nine more by Mary Hewitt (spelled "Hulett" by descendants of her dtr Mary Bentley, wife of Nathaniel Smith), details included. Apparently both Caleb's second son by Mary Gardner and his third son by his second wife were both named "William Bentley." The first d inf, b 1780 and d 1781 (this may be a subtle point easily overlooked by some searchers). The Lineage of Robert Ferris Randall includes his b 4.15.1927, Gowanda, Cattaraugus Co., NY, sixth-great-grandson of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y of Kingstown, RI, **via** WILLIAM'S son William Bentley, Jr.'s son Caleb Bentely's son Gideon Bentley's son Ira Bentley's son Ira Bentley, Jr.'s dtr Jessie May (Bentley) Randall's son Robert Bentley Randall, who was Robert Ferris Randall's father.

Be78. **The National Cyclopaedia of American Biography**, 1943, Vol. 30, p. 194, "Bentley, Charles **Raymond**, lawyer" **(Be:FBBHAGAE.)**.

Be79. Lobdell, J. H., **Bentley Gleanings**, Chicago, ca 1906. A copy of this book was located in the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library, 101 Newbury, Boston, MA. Her correspondence for her collection and her genealogical search began in 1903 A.D.

Be.80. Orren Bentley **(Be:FDDFGJ.)**, subject of sketch in **An Illustrated History of North Idaho Embracing Nez Perce, Idaho, Latah, Kootenai, and Shoshone Counties**, Western Historical Pub. Co., 1903, p. 518. This source was located by Edwin M. Bentley of Seattle, WA (1977).

Be.81. Seymour Bentley **(Be:FDDFMCA.)**, res (1927): 217 Richardson Ave., Utica, NY; corresponded with completed "Genealogical Record" sheets sent to M. L. Holman; see Bundle 7 of MS 27 entitled "Males, 4th Generation," Bentley Safe MS 27, NEHGSL, Boston.

Be.82. "Bentley, Gideon," **Encyclopedia Americana** (which edition?), as quoted by James Knowlton Bentley (1927).

Be.83. Newspaper article (not dated) on the passing of Gideon Bentley **(Be:FDDF.)**, pasted in an old scrapbook entitled Contents Illustrations to **Patents for Inventions Granted During the Year 1856**; submitted to M.L. Holman (in Bentley Safe MS 27, NEHGSL, Boston) by Georgia and Mabel O. Bentley of 431 E. South River St., Appleton, WI, 3.31.1927. The article was entitled "Another Revolutionary Hero Gone." He was said to have been born on 8.12.1750, and to have died in 1858 (?).

Be.84. Foley, Janet W., **Early Settlers of New York**, quoted by R. Ferris Randall.

Be.85. Randall, R. Ferris, 2816 Roswell Parkway, Eden, NY, 14057, compiled Bentley data from several sources.

Be86. Federal Census Reports, names of Gideon Bentley and sons. See **Be:FDDF.** Data by searchers R. F. Randall of Eden, NY, and E. M. Bentley of Seattle, WA.

Be87. Gideon Bentley **(Be:FDDF.)**, Archive Record sheets, LDS, GSL, Salt Lake City, UT; submitted by Mrs. Alvera Teeples Jones (1932-33), descendant of compiler George Bentley Teeples, descendant of Rhode Island Bentley-progenitor WILLIAM BENTLEY of Kingstown. This is either secondary or tertiary evidence.

Be88. Obituary for David A. Bentley, **San Diego Union**, Sat., 2.8.1969, p. 7, col. 4-5; San Diego, CA. "Services will be at 3 p.m. today in Greenwood Mortuary for **David A. Bentley, 59**, of 4966 Campanile Drive. A retired industrial engineer, he died Wednesday in a hospital **(2.5.1969). Bentley was born here, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William H. Bentley.** His father, who settled in San Diego in the 1880's once operated a group of ostrich farms extending from here to Sacramento. One adjoined the old Mission Cliff Gardens, an early day outing site at the north end of Park Boulevard. The younger Bentley retired in 1967 from Ryan Aeronautical Co. He was a member of the Ryan Management Club, the Old Timers Club, La Ceterie Dance Club and Kappa Alpha Pi fraternity. His widow, **Frances**, and a **son, David H. of San Diego, survive."**

Be89. "Municipal Elections," **The San Diego Union**, 4.10.1900, p. 5, col. 4. "Some little interest was manifested at Coronado, 172 votes being cast." **Harvey Bentley** was elected treasurer. An ad. in the adjoining col. read, "An Easter Sunday without a new hat is worse than an egg without salt."

Be90. William Harvey Bentley **(Be:FDDFGFB.)** in his 1927 correspondence with M. L. Holman and Harry Bentley of Boston (see Be34.C.).

Be.91. William Harvey Bentley **(Be:FDDFGFB.)** in his correspondence, before 8.1904. with Mrs. Julia (Harrison) Lobdell, compiler and publisher of **Bentley Gleanings**, Chicago, ca 1906 (?), pp 94-96. A copy of this book is located in the NEHGSL, Boston, MA (Be79.).

> From William Harvey Bentley, Coronado, Calif. I (William Harvey Bentley) was b. 1860 in Iowa; m. Rosena Stewart in 1895 and settled at Coronado Beach, Calif. Have one son, William H. Bentley, Jr. I am proprietor of an ostrich farm.
>
> My father, William Bentley, b. 1830[1] in Ohio, m. 1856, is now a retired farmer living at Havensville, Kans.
>
> My grandfather, Gideon Bentley, Jr., b. in N. Y. state, 1793, d. 1871; m. Harriet Wheeler, b. 1799, d. 1885. They had eleven children, *viz.*:
>
> 1. Sophronia; b 1820; m. John Conner; had five or six children. Resides at Griggsville, Ill.

2. Newman (deceased); b. 1822. Twice m., nine children.

3. Harriet (deceased); b. 1824.

4. Mahlon (deceased); b. 1827; m. Julia A. E. Benson, 1848; eleven children.

5. Elizabeth; b. 1829 (deceased); m. Wm. Love; seven children.

6. Wm.; b. 1831; m. M. C. Shaul; six children; lives at Havensville, Kansas.

7. Lydia; b. 1834; m. J. Hulett; five children.

8. Oscar; b. 1837; m. May Lytle; three children.

9. Oretus, or Orestes; b. 1840; m. ----; four children.

10. Orren; b. 1842; m. B. Johnson; eleven children; lives at Tolo, Idaho.

11. Lodema; b. 1845; m. (1) G. W. Shelly, (2) Wm. Love; five children.

The father of Gideon Bentley, Jr., was Gideon, Sr. He had ten boys and three girls, namely:[2] (1) Christopher, (2) Thomas, (3) Frederick, (†(Gideon, (5) Isaac, (6) William, (7) Elisha, (8) David, (9) Joseph, (10) Clark, (11) Elizabeth, (12) Sarah, and (13) Esther.

Mr. Bentley mentions one William Bentley[3] who was b. in Pike Co. Says that he was the son of Sophronia Bentley who m. John Conner. Also another William Bentley was son of Newman Bentley. He m. Malinda Shaul in 1856. Also Oscar Bentley had a son William.

Be92. Dr. Frank H. Titus, ca 1897 in work with and correspondence from William Harvey Bentley **(Be:FDDFGFB.)** and undoubtedly other closely related Bentleys . . . (see Be36.).

Be93. David Alexander Bentley II **(Be:FDDFGFBCA.)** in a telephone conversation with this searcher on August 21, 1977; his res (1977): 6050 Henderson Drive, La Mesa, CA (714-469-0806).

Be94. Christopher Bentley **(Be:FDDFGBB.)** in his correspondence with Mary Lovering Holman and Harry Bentley of Boston in 1927 (see Be34.C.).

Be95. Orestes Lafayette Bentley **(Be:FDDFGFC.)** in his correspondence with M. L. Holman and Harry Bentley of Boston in 1927, (see Be34.C.)

Be96. Gideon Bentley **(Be:FDDF.)**, Rev. War Pension Application File (----------), S12177, BL Wt 16166, 160a, 1855.

Be97. **Narragansett Historical Register**, 1882-3, Vol. 2, p 229.

Be98. *Ibid.*, Vol. 2, pp 318-9.

[1]8.18.1831 (?) rather than "1830."

[2]Children are **not** named in order of birth.

[3]William Bentley Conner(s)? —identity?

Be99. Mrs. T. B. Smith, Jacksonville, IL, ca 1903-1905, in her correspondence with Mrs. J. H. Lobdell, wrote:

"My father's name wa **Mahlon Bentley**, son of **Gideon Bentley**." Ident. and class.: Mahlon Bentley **(Be:FDDFGD.)**; Lobdell, Mrs. J. H., **Bentley Gleanings**, p. 30.

Be.100. Drake, Samuel Gardiner, **Founders of New England**, 1860, p. 78. The original of the following entry was claimed to have been in the possession of Samuel Gardiner Drake in 1860 and published in his book named abov. The book was believed to have been in the Astor Library, Reference Department, New York City. This searcher saw the typewritten copy in the **Bentley Safe MS-27** of M. L. Holman in the NEHGSL, Boston.

A list of the names of the Passengers on board the Ship **Arabella**, Richard Sprague, Master, bound for New England, May ye 27th, 1671 (note: the vessel landed at Boston, Mass.).

William Shoars	Andrew Rogers
William Hadwell	Joseph Read
William Lyton	Thomas Webb
George Ash	John Parker
George Bearbeille	Stephen Bustells
Robert Collins	Joseph Bostes
William Bentley	Samuel Borthamer
Josiah Hobbs	Robert Gebbert
John Clarke	Henry Mumford*
Robert Halworthy	Henry Tarlton
Eliza Coleman	William Twede
----- Coleman	

Gravesend, May 27th, 1671. The Passengers above mentioned were all willing to goe to New England and are registered according to order.

William Burney,
Clerke of ye Passage.

Be101. Photograph of Gideon Bentley **(Be:FDDF.)**, is in the possession of Karen (Berns) Wheaton of Ann Arbor, MI, and is the one from which the reproduction in this book is taken (1978).

Another photograph of Gideon Bentley is in the possession of James C. Bentley of Gulf Breeze, FL (1978).

This searcher learned of the possible existence of a photograph of Gideon Bentley from a note in the Bentley Safe Manuscript of Mary Lovering Holman in the New England Historic Genealogical Library, Boston, in July, 1977. A known photograph of Gideon Bentley, brother of SAMUEL BENTLEY and Caleb Bentley, taken on his 105th birthday, Constantia, NY,

*A "Henry Mumford" died 10.21.1753, North Kingstown, Rhode Island (Arnold, J.N., "North Kingstown," p. 86, **Vital Record of Rhode Island**, Vol. 5. "Washington County," 1894. Other Mumfords are named also.

with 132 of his descendants (guess) present, was in the possession (1927) of Caleb's descendant, Mrs. Ira (Hannah Maria Bentley) Freeman, b 4.26.1860, Mt. Forest, with no descendants of her own. Her 1927 address was 3722½ East Third Street, Los Angeles, CA. Her brother, James Samuel Bentley, b 7.31.1865, Mt. Forest, res (1927) of 164 N. Gage St., Los Angeles, CA, m Tillie D. Beach; they may have had descendants.

Be102. Exeter, RI, "Births, Marriages, and Deaths, 1763 - 1870," Book 3, page 34; identification: Gideon Bentley (**Be:FDDF.**).

(1) These May Certify All Pesons Whome I May Concern That **Gideon Bentley** of Exeter and **Elisabeth Neagers** of North Kingstown Was Lawfully Married April 5th AD 1781

By Me James Wightman Elder

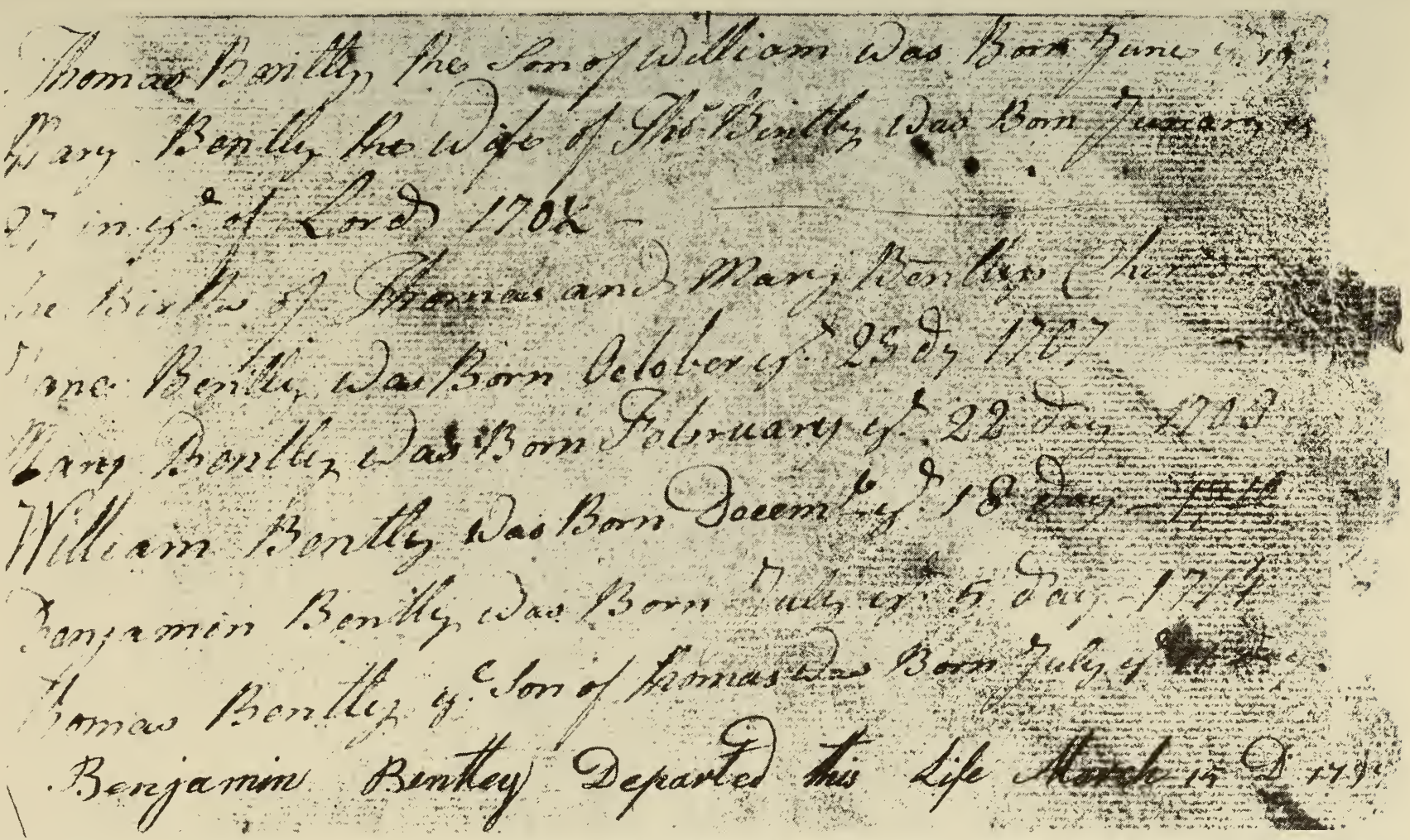
(2) Isaac Bentley **Eldest Son** of Gideon Bentley and Elisabeth His Wife Born August 12th AD 1781 on the first Day of the Week

(3) Christopher Bentley **Second Son** of Gideon Bentley and Elisabeth His Wife Born July 6th 1783 on the Second Day of the week.

(4) Thomas Bentley **Third Son** of Gideon Bentley and Elisabeth his Wife Born **January 10th AD 1785** on the Third Day of the Week

Be103. Exeter, RI, "Land Evidence, Old Deeds," Book 4, page 175, 176; likely William Bentley (**Be:FDC.**) and Benjamin Bentley (**Be:FE.**); document dated 1744.

To all People to whome these presents Shall Come Greeting Know ye that **I William Bently of Exeter** in the County of Kings County in ye Coloney of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations in New england Yeoman, for and in Consideration of ye Sum of Twenty five pounds Cornant (?) Bills of Publick Creditt of ye above Said Coloney To me in hand before the Ensealing here of Well and Truly paid by **Benja. Bently** of the town County and Coloney above Said **Corrier** ye Receipt Whereof I Do have by Acknowledge and my Self there with fully Satisfied and Contented, and thereof and of every part and parcell thereof do Exonerate requitt and Discharge ye Said **Benja. Bently** his heirs Executors Administrators forever by these Presents I have given granted Bargained Sold aliened Conveyed and Confirmed and by these presents do freely fully and Absolutely Give grant Bargain Sell alien Convey and Confirm Unto him the Said **Benja. Bently** his heirs and assigns for ever: **One acre of Land with a Small hose** upon the Same Lying and Being in the town above named Butted and bounded as followeth, West on **Joseph Mattesons** Land North on a highway East on a high way South on the Granter To Have and to hold the Said Granted and Bargained premises With all the appurtenances Privileges and Commodities to the Same Belonging or in any wise appertaining to him the Said **Benja. Bently** his heirs and assigns forever to his and there only—Properlese (?) Benifitt and Behoof forever and I the Said William Bently for me my heirs Executors Administrators Do Covenant promise and Grant To and with the Said **Benjamin Bently** his heirs and assigns that Before



The **Bible** transcription record (incomplete) naming WILLIAM BENTLY, **Be.F.**, his son THOMAS BENTLY, **Be:FD.**, and his grandson BENJAMIN BENTLY, **Be:FDD.**, among others. Document "Ms. B477w." is reproduced here by the permission of the Rhode Island Historical Society, Providence, Rhode Island (see Be111.).

the Ensealing hereof I am ye True Sole and Lawfull owner of ye above Bargained premises and am Lawfully Seized and possessed of the Same in mine own proper Right as a Good perfect and alesetiete (?) Estate of Inheretante in Fee Simple and have in my Self good Right full power and Lawfull Authority to Grant Bargain Sell Convey and Confirm ye Said Bargained Premises in manner as above Said and that ye Said **Benja. Bently** his heirs and assigns Shall and may from time to time and at all times for ever her after by fore and Vertue of these presents Lawfully peaceably and quietly have Hold (176) Bargained premises with the Appurtenances free and Clear and freely and Clearly Acquited Exonerated and Discharged of from all and all manner of former or Other Gifts Grants, Bargains, Sales, Leases, Mortgages, Wills, Estates, Joynters, Dowries, Judgments, Executions, Incumbrances, and Entents: Furthermore I **William Bently** for my Self my heirs Executors Administrators Do Covenant and Engage ye above Demised premises to him the Said **Benja. Bently** his heirs and Assigns against the Lawfull Clames of any person or persons Clameing from by or under me forever here after to warrant secure and defend and **Elisabeth Bently ye wife of the above named William Bently** Doth by these presents freely willingly give yield up and surrender all her right of dower and power of thirds of in and unto ye above demised premises unto him the said **Benja. Bently** his heirs and assigns: In Witness whereof We have here unto Lett our hands and Seals **this Sixteenth Day of November Anno Domini 1744** and in the Eighteenth Year of his Majestyies Reign George ye Second King of Great Brittian. In the presence of Thomas Bently, Benoni Hall, Kings County. Signed and Sealed by William Bentley and Elisabeth Bently. Rec'd February 21, 1744.

Be111. Handwritten Record (photographic preservation in 1978 was imperative; see photograph), Rhode Island Historical Society, Providence, RI, as **Miscellaneous Manuscript B477w.** "Bently, William. **Bible** record 1677—1717." Copy negative #RHi X3 1985. Photograph published with the permission of the Rhode Island Historical Society. This searcher's attention was called to this ms. **via** 10.9.1977—correspondence from searcher Edwin M. Bentley of Seattle, WA, who located it on a trip to RI in 1975. Origin of the record, when it was donated and by whom are items unknown to the Society staff at present.

Uneven fragmentation to within 5/8 inch from the former right edge of the single sheet has resulted in folds and in missing fragments. The uneven right edge is breaking up into small particles. Writing extends from the top edge to about 3/4 inch from the bottom of the sheet of paper and from the left edge to the right edge. The first ten lines are separated from the last ten lines by two solid horizontal-lines running parallel about 1/8 inch apart and drawn with a straight edge from the left edge to the right edge of the paper. Although line 17 is legible, this reader cannot clearly discern the name of the month. Does the day in line 19 read 12? Line 19 is incomplete due to a missing fragment bearing the year. The year on the missing fragment was very

likely "1717" because according to the manuscript title given to this paper the births were recorded from "1677—1717." The "1677" (year) is for the first birth, but the year for the last birth is the one that is missing. Line 20 may have been added at a later time: date of 1795, 1774, or?

In this searcher's opinion, this manuscript may not necessarily be the first place that the information was written; earlier sources of perhaps two or more **Bible** transcription-records could have existed. The "Thomas Bently Son of William" and father of "Benjamin Bently" is very likely the "Son Thomas" named in William Bently's Will of 1720 and the "Thomas Bently" father of "Son Benjamin" and grandfather of Caleb "Son of my Son Benjamin." This Thomas Bently in his **Will** written in 1772, proved in 1778, bequeathed his Great **Bible** to his wife Mary. The records are clear.

Not so clear is the reason for the omission of the name of the mother of the children of Thomas, son of William. William is stated as the father of William, James, Thomas, and Benjamin only. Who were the parents of "Mary Austen Born in ye year 1670 —?" Was Sarah the mother of William's sons? In his **Will** proved in 1720, William Bentl(e)y states "my Daughter Jane Whittman;" why does this record **not** contain the words "Jane Bently Daughter of William Born . . .?" How long are these questions going to go unanswered?

1)	William Bently Born in Amphill in Bedfordshire	Be:F.
2)	England and Departed this Life in Kingstown	
3)	83 yrs and 11 days of His age and Sarah Bently She	
4)	the Wife of ye above William Departed this Life	
5)	December ye 28 1731	
6)	Mary Austen Born in ye year 1670	Stepdtr?
7)	William Bently Son of William Born July ye 8 day — 1677	Be:FB.
8)	James Bently Son of William Born May ye 26 dy — 1679	Be:FC.
9)	Thomas Bently Son of William Born June ye 19 dy — 1685	Be:FD.
10)	Benjamin Bently Son of William Born March ye 27 dy — 1690	Be:FE.

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11)	Thomas Bently the Son of William was Born June ye 19	Be:FD.
12)	Mary Bently the Wife of Thos Bently was Born January ye	
13)	27 in ye of Lord 1702 —	
14)	the Births of Thomas and Mary Bentlys Chi. . .	
15)	Jane Bently was Born October ye 25 dy 1707	Be:FDa.
16)	Mary Bently was Born February ye 22 day 1709	Be:FDb.
17)	William Bently was Born December 18 day 1710	Be:FDC.
18)	Benjamin Bently was Born July ye 5 day 1714	Be:FDD.
19)	Thomas Bently ye Son of Thomas was Born July ye 1- day 1717	Be:FDE.
20)	Benjamin Bentley Departed this Life March 15 D 179-	Be:FDD.

[20]"179—" (?) may be "1794" or "1795" or "1799;" last digit in year is **not** clearly discernible. This Benjamin was living after 1791 (see Be255.).

Be112. Arnold, J.N., **Vital Record of Rhode Island**, Vol. 5, "North Kingstown—Births and Deaths," p. 57 (----):

"Hannah Bentley, daughter of James and Dorothy, b March 25, 1702/3."

Be113. Austin, J. O., **The Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island**, Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1969, pp. 19, 234, and 235. Families of "Bentley" and "Albro" united.

Be114. Arnold, J., **Vital Record of Rhode Island 1636-1850**, Vol. 1, East Greenwich, pp 9, 34, 122. Original Town Record (book and page): **2:74**, and **2:223-224**, respectively.

Bentley, Benjamin, and Barbara were the parents of

Bentley, Parmelia (Pamelia), b (calc.) 6.3.1769, d 3.12.1801, at age 31 y 9 m 9 d (**2:223**); m 5.31.1790, East Greenwich, RI (by H. Cooke, Justice) (dtr of Benjamin Bentley, **deceased**), to Caleb Greene, son of Nathan Greene (**2:74**). Their 5 CH (**2:223**):

Greene, Samuel Emlen, b 7.15.1791.
Greene, Hannah, b 12.31.1792.
Greene, Henry, b 10.5.1794.
Greene Eliza, b 10.24.1797 (**2:223**); d 9.8.1798 (**2:224**).
Greene, Daniel, b 11.6.1799.

Be115. *Ibid.*, East Greenwich, **2:112**.

Bentley, Benjamin, and Barbara were the parents of:
Bentley, Sarah, b 8.31.1764, East Greenwich.
Bentley, Albethany, b 3.22.1767, East Greenwich.
Bentley, Parmelia, b 6.3.1769, East Greenwich.

Be116. Arnold, J., **Vital Record of Rhode Island 1636-1850**, Vol. 1, Warwick, p 17. Original Town Record (book and page): **2:16**.

Bentley, Benjamin, of East Greenwich, m 11.21.1762, Warwick (by Elder John Gorton), to Barbara Pearce.

Be117. *Ibid.*, Warwick, **2:18**.

Bentley, Caleb, of East Greenwich, m 6.14.1761, Warwick (by Elder John Gorton), to Martha Foster, dtr of Thomas Foster of Warwick.

Be118. *Ibid.*, East Greenwich, **2:96**.

Bentley, Caleb, and Martha, had these CH:
Bentley, Colonel, b 1.2.1765, East Greenwich.
Bentley, Acus, b 5.23.1767, East Greenwich.
Bentley, Elizabeth, b 5.2.1771, East Greenwich.
Bentley, Benjamin, b 12.8.1772, East Greenwich.

Be119. *Ibid.*, Vol. 5, Exeter, **1:170**.

Bentley, Caleb, and Martha, had this CH:
Bentley, Niobe, b 11.2.1761, Exeter.

Be120. The Twenty-first Report of the Department of Public Records and Archives of Ontario, 1932 ("Archives Report, v. 21), page 198.

In 1811, Markham, members of a jury empanneled (*sic*) included:

1 Michael Miller	7 John C. Ritter
2 James Daniels	8 John Udell
3 Jacob Brooks	9 John Williams
4 Samuel Lawrence	10 **Martenus Badgero**
5 **Samuel Bentley Jun'r**	11 **Justus Badgero**
6 Nicholas Hagerman	12 George Quantz

Ident. and Class.: Samuel Bentl(e)y Junior, **Be:FDDDF.**; Martinas Badgerow, **Ba:A.**; and Justin Badgerow, **Ba:B.**

Be121. Ibid., regarding Elijah Bentl(e)y, **Be:FDDDC.**, of Markham, 1806.

A., page 77. "Read a Notice of **Elijah Bentley**, that he will apply at the next general Quarter Sessions for a Certificate, to authorize him to celebrate the Ceremony of Matrimony as a Calvinist Minister."

B., pages 81-84 (83 unseen).

> **Elijah Bentley** of Markham, having notified on the 8th day of October last, that he would apply at the present General Quarter Sessions of the Peace for a Certificate to enable him (as a Minister of the Calvinist Congregation for the said Township of Markham), to celebrate the Ceremony of matrimony, appeared in person, and made application for the said certificate, stating that the persons, required by the Statute in such case made and provided were also present.
>
> The Court remarking, that only Four Magistrates were present, whereas, the said Statute required that not less than Six Magistrates besides the Chairman should be present adjourned the Court, 'til Tuesday the 21st day of the present month of January at 10 oClock in the forenoon, and the Court was adjourned to that Day accordingly.
>
> Thos. Ridout.
> Clk of the Peace Home Dt.
>
> Home District York to wit— At a General Quarter Sessions of the Peace holden at the Town of York in and for the said Home District, on Tuesday the fourteenth day of January in the Forty sixth Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord George the Third, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, King Defender of the Faith and in the Year of our Lord one Thousand Eight Hundred and Six, and continued to this present Tuesday, the Twenty first Day of January in the same year.
>
> Present — William Jarvis, Esquire Chairman. William Willcocks, Alexander Wood, Elisha Beman, William Allan, Duncan Cameron, Richard Ferguson, and John Small, Esquires, Justices of our said Lord the King assigned to Keep the Peace of our said Lord the King

in the said District and to hear and determine divers Felonies, Trespasses and other misdemeanors in said District committed.

Elijah Bentley appeared in person, and produced a paper, stating that he the said **Elijah Bentley** was a preacher of a Calvinist Congregation, in the Township of Markham, but that, not being judged a sufficient proof of his ordination constitution and appointment, He was directed to provide himself with proper Certificates, against the next ensuing Quarter Sessions.

The following Seven, undermentioned persons, Members of the Congregation of Calvinists of Markham (as so stated by them) personally appeared in behalf of the said **William Bentley**[1] and declared him to be their Minister, viz

William Bentley of Markham	Yeoman.
Benj: Harrington of Ditto	Ditto
Joshua Wixon of Pickering	D'o
Andrew Thomson of Scarboro'	d'o
Amos Prescott of D'o	D'o
John Williams of Markham	D'o
& John Marr of D'o	d'o

but no Certificate having been produced of his regular ordination, the Court did not find itself authorised to grant the Certificate required & adjourned.

T. Ridout.
C.P. H. D't.

. . . Tuesday the Eighth day of April in the forty sixth year of the Reign . . . one Thousand Eight Hundred and Six . . .

Elijah Bentley, calling himself a preacher of the Calvinist congregation in the Township of Markham, personally appeared; and produced a paper, of which, the following is copy —

Percy Feb: 10:1806

> This certifies to whom it may concern That I **Reuben Crandall** Elder of the first Baptist Church of Christ in Cramahe Upper Canada by request, did sit as a member of the Council of **Mr. Elijah Bentley's** ordination on the Eleventh Day of August last, with Elder Joseph Winn, and Elder Abel Stevens . . .

. . . Wednesday the 9th day of the same month . . .

Elijah Bentley appeared.

Ordered that his Certificate, read yesterday, be returned to him and that it cannot be admitted as a sufficient Testimony of his ordination as a Calvinist Minister, under which denomination he presents himself. The said Certificate being under the signature of one, who states himself a Baptist.

[1] Undoubtedly a copyist's error, "William" for "Elijah" Bentley.

C., regarding Bentleys serving as jurors: p. 116, **William Bentley**; p. 117, **William Bently**; p. 129, **Ira Bentley**; p. 54, **Reuben Bentley**; and regarding **Elijah Bentley**, appointed as one of three constables in Markham, p. 69.

Be122. "Register of Persons Connected with High Treason during the War of 1812-14, with U.S.A.," MU-1368, P.A.O., August 1926; Ontario Archives, Toronto. Identification and Classification: Elijah Bentley, **Be:FDDDC.**; Ira Bentley, **Be:FDDDE.**; and **likely** Samuel Bentley, Junior, **Be:FDDDF.**

A. Elijah Bentley.

(1) . . . of Markham, an Anabaptist, prosecuted on May 2, 1813, for seditious conduct at York, found guilty, and sentenced to six months imprisonment. Ref: "A Study of Disaffection in U.C. 1812-15," Royal Society of Canada in **Transactions**, 3rd Series, Vol. 6 (1912), p. 32.

(2) . . . at York, September 29, 1813, charged in list with various acts of disaffection, with inviting the Militia to come in to York while the Americans were there to take their parole; always speaking in favor of the enemy and spreading false intelligence. Ref: Dominion Archives, U.C.S., Shelf 70, D. Room.

(3) . . . at York in Home District, October 26, 1813, charged with sedition... Ref: Ontario Archives, Court Records, S.C. 7, S.34.

(4) . . . at Assize as preceding, March 31, 1814, plead "not guilty," found guilty and sentenced to be confined one month and bound over . . . Ref: Ontario Archives, Court Records, S.C. 7, S.34.

B. Ira Bentley.

(1) At Ancaster Indictment for High Treason, June 15, 1814. Ref: Minute of Court, Ontario Archives, S.C. 7, S.3.

(2) Referred to in letter by Lt. Col. Robert Nelles, Commanding 4th Regt., Lincoln Militia, to Edward MacMahon, dated December 14, 1814, "An American born, who fled from the Province and joined the enemy . . . did own about 300 acres of land, 100 in Niagara District in the Gore of Grimsby and 200 in the Home District, Township Uxbridge." Ref: Deominion Archives, U.C.S. Shelf 70, Doc. Room.

(3) Named in list of persons outlawed for High Treason in the Province of Upper Canada possessed of land within the same attached to letter from D'Arcy Boulton to Lt. Col. Cameron, dated May 17, 1817. Ref: Dominion Archives, U.C.S. Shelf 70, Doc. Room.

C. Samuel Bentley.

(1) Charged under date September 29, 1813, at York, in list signed by Thomas Ridout, John Strachan, Wm Allan, and D. Cameron, with declaring that he had always been a friend to the United States and always would be. Ref: Dominon Archives, U.C.S. Shelf 70, Doc. Room.

Be123. In his letter of 2.14.1912, **Charles A. Bentley**, Cashier, U. S. Customs, Milwaukee, WI, stated that he was the son of **Minerva** and War-of-1812 Veteran **Thomas Bentley** who served from 6.29.1812. to 10.20.1812. He also wrote he was a descendant of Captain **Caleb Bentley (Be:FBBH.)**, Rev. War Patriot. This letter is part of Caleb's microfilmed Rev. War Pension File, Federal Archives and Records Center, Laguna Niguel, CA. Classification?

Be124. According to information in the Rev. War Pension Record File for **Benjamin Bently** (unclassified here), b 1757, Exetertown, RI, he entered service in 1776, res having been Stephentown, Rensselaer Co., NY. He d 9.28.1833. On 2.23.1784, he m **Lydia Rathbun** of Hancock, MA, in Hancock by **Rev. Clark Rogers**, witnessed by **Walter Clark Rathbun** (1839 testimony), of Pike, Alleghany Co., NY (1839). Lydia and Benjamin had eight CH; the youngest was **Ira Bently ae** 38 y in 1843, res of Berlin, Rensselaer Co., NY. In the file is a copy of the letter sent to **Mr. F. C. Bentley**, 1220 Washington Ave., Springfield, MO, 10.7.1936. FARC-RWPF. Identity and/or classification?? See Be373.

Be125. Thomas Weinheimer Bentley (Be:FBBHCFCAD.), 6060 Beaumont Ave., La Jolla, CA 92037; telephoned 8.15.1984; letter with data received 8.17.1984. Correspond for documentation.

Be126.-134. Reserved for future sources.

Be135. Rhode Island Colonial Records, Vol. 3, page 7.

Proceedings of the Generall Assembly held for the Collony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, at Newport, **the 30th day of April, 1678.**

. . . Voted, That a petition presented by John Spencer, Clement Weaver, and Philip Long, is granted by this Assembly; and they haveing therein desired **that men shall be appointed to lay out the lands of East Greenwich**, this Assembly doe give power to the petitioners and partners in said Greenwich to appoint one or more to lay out the said towneship, and devide the great devisions, and **when said land is survayed and layed out**, it is desired that Mr. Samuell Gorton and others of Warwick, and any other place, may be present if they will take the paines, to see that the said land be fairly layd out, soe as not to intrude upon the lawfull rights of any others. See Be202.

Be140. WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y (Ancestor X.193.) is named in one of the two letters sent by "his Excellency" Sir Edmund Andros, Captain General and Governor in Chief of his Majesty's Territory of New England regarding persons cutting hay in the meadow to the objections of French Protestants in Narragansett, 1687.

Original record in **Mass. Hist. Col.**, Vol. 7, p. 182; reprinted in the Rhode Island Colonial Records, specifically **Records of the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations**, pages 227-8 (copy located by this searcher in the L.A. City Lib.).

1. By his Excellency:

Whereas complaint hath been made unto me by several of the French Protestants settled in the Narragansett country, that John Swett, Joseph Reynolds, Henry Reynolds, Thomas Bray and several others, have of late, without right or lawful authority mowed the meadows lying near to their settlements, and have forcibly carried away the grass and hay from thence, by means whereof, they are left destitute of any hay or fodder for their cattle in winter, and if not relieved therein, it will be to their utter ruin. These are therefore to authorize and require you, to call before you the persons above named, and such others as you shall find have been concerned in mowing of the said meadow, and what right or title they or either of them have to the said meadow; and unless some particular grant shall be shown to you for the same, you are to cause the said grass or hay, cut off the said meadow, as aforesaid, or the like quantity, as can be found in the possession of those that cut the same, to be seized and secured, and forthwith to make report to me of your proceedings herein, that such further order may be given, as shall be thought necessary.

Dated at Boston, the 14th day of July, 1687. To Captain John Fones, Justice of Peace, at King's Province.

2. By his Excellency:

Upon hearing and examining of the matter in difference between the towns of Greenwich alias Deptford, Kingston alias Rochester, and the French families, lately settled in the Narragansett country, about a parcel of meadow lying near the settlements and appointed for their accommodation; but cut and mowed by several persons of both the said towns, which appears to be done in a violent, forcible manner; and the hay cut thereupon, being likewise by my order secured and stacked, I do, therefore, for the accommodation of the said parties for the present, till the right thereto can be determined and settled, order and appoint, that all hay cut and made upon the said meadows, as aforesaid, be by the direction of any two Justices of the Peace, forthwith divided into two equal shares or moieties, and that one moiety thereof, be given for the sue of John Nicholes, Gyles Pierce and George Vaughan, of Greenwich, aforesaid,; and James Reynolds, James Reynolds, Jun'r, Henry Reynolds, Joseph Reynolds, Francis Reynolds, John Swett, **William Bentley**, John Andrew, and George Haven, of Kingston, share and share alike, who, I am informed live remote and are most wanting thereof. And the other moiety to be left for the use and benefit of the said French families there, who, being strangers, and lately settled, and wholly destitute, and have no other way to supply themselves. And all persons therein concerned, are to take notice hereof, and conform themselves thereunto accordingly, until further orders shall be given in said matter.

Dated at Boston, the 5th day of August, 1687. To Major Richard Smith, and Captain Fones, Justice of the Peace, who are to see this order forthwith executed.

Be141. Rhode Island Colonial Records, Vol. 4.

Proceedings of the General Assembly held for the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations at Newport . . .

Pp. 17-18. May 6, 1707, Gen. Assembly at Newport.

"Jos. Chanterlin" and "Jireh Bull" and "Peleg Chamberlin". . . (et al) . . ."all of Newport, admitted freemen of the colony." (relevancy?)

Pp. 226-7. May 1, 1718, Gen. Assembly at Newport.

Thomas Scranton and Valentine Sweet (et al) . . . "all of Newport, are admitted freemen of this colony."

P. 227. May 1, 1718, Gen. Assembly at Newport.

Mr. Nathaniel Gardner, Robert Eldred, Thomas Willett, Henry Gardner, Ephraim Gardner, Stephen Shearman, Thomas Philips, Thomas Eldred, Jr. and **Thomas Bentley, all of Kingstown, are admitted freemen of this colony.**

Pp. 385-6. May 2, 1727, Gen. Assembly at Newport.

Christopher Carpenter, Jeremiah Ellis, **Benjamin Bentley**, Hezekiah Matison, John Langford, Jonathan Weaver, Ebenezer Cook, John Case, son of Joseph, Pasco Whitford, Robert Fish, James Reynolds, Jr., and Amos Stafford, all of **East Greenwich,** are **admitted freemen** of this colony.

P. 493. April 30, 1734.

"Lawrence Bentley" (et al) of Newport, admitted freeman of this colony.

Be142. Rhode Island Colonial Records, Vol. 4 (1707-1740).

P. 141. May 6, 1712, Gen. Assembly at Newport.

Inhabitants of Kingstown freemen of the colony: John Eldred, son of Thomas Eldred, **William Bentley, Jr.**, Samuel Boon, Francis Runnal, Jr., Wm. Whittman, John Dauly, Joseph Runnal, Jr., **Thomas Bentley**, Robert Runnall, John Sweet, Jr., **James Bentley**, Benjamin Merry, Jr., Thomas Jackwais, Silas Greenman, John Hall, John Kennion, Richard Updike, James Allin, Robert Hall, Isaac Shelding, Peter Wells, Jr., Paris Wittford, John Watson, Jr., Samuel Brown, Robert Hassard, Jr., John Bridgs, James Runnals, son of Francis, Philip Griffith, Samuel Watson, James Brownman, Job Babcock, Jr., Wm. Gardner, Thomas Mumford, Jr., Peter Crandall, Moses Barber, Jr., John Sheldon, Joseph Carpenter, Samuel Crandall, Joseph Case, Jr., Abel Sherman, Wm. Case, Wm. Barber, John Albro, James Eldred.

Be143. Rhode Island Colonial Records, Vol. 5, p. 111.

Proceedings of the Gen. Assembly . . . The following are admitted freemen of the colony on **April 3, 1745:**

Of West Greenwich . . . Ebenezer Cahoone, Nicholas Whitford, son of Pascho, James Hopkins, son of Samuel, **Henry Streight** . . .

Of Exeter, Jeremiah Wilkey, John Hall and Samuel Hall, Joshua Gardner, John Gardner, Jr., Peleg Tripp, Moses Shearman, Joseph Potter, John Casey, Daniel Dawley, Nathaniel Dawley, **Benjamin Bentley**, Thomas Rathbone, Benjamin Potter, James Moon, James Nichols, Samuel Baker, William Barber, Stephen Wilcox, Thomas Lewis, Samuel Casey, Jr., and Samuel Mowry, Jr.

Be144. Rhode Island Colonial Records, Vol. 6.

P. 141: **Henry Straight** of East Greenwich was admitted as freeman on the first Wednesday of May, 1758.

P. 142: **Tillinghast Bentley**, William Gardner, Robert Reynolds, Jr., and Ebenezer Moon, Jr. (et al), all of Exeter . . . freemen . . . first Wednesday of May, 1758.

P. 203: Joseph Shippey, Henry Shippey, of Glocester, . . . admitted as freemen . . . first Wednesday of May, 1759.

Be145. The correct identification and classification of Joseph Bentley of Queensbury, NY, has been in question. This searcher has based the classification of Joseph Bentley, **Be:FDCAI.**, on the identification made by Titus (Be36.) for the son of Tillinghast, son of William, son of THOMAS, son of **WILLIAM** (see text).

The following **letter** was written by George H. Selleck, 20 Pine St., Exeter, NY, 9.14.1945, to Mrs. Mary Lovering Holman, 205 Fullen Road, Lexington, MA. **See Be34., Be74., and Be:FDCAI.** The letter is quoted *verbatim:*

Exeter, N. H., September 14, 1945

Dear Mrs. Holman:

I am sorry to learn that you have been an invalid so long. When I called on you sixteen years ago you seemed to be in excellent health. At that time I could do almost anything that seemed necessary, but last winter in Orlando, two chambers of my heart quit pumping, and now the best the others can do is about 35 to 39 beats per minute. So now, when we can have plenty of gasoline, I am not allowed to drive very far. I would like to study R.I. and N.Y. war records more and Austin's R. I. Gen. Dic. more; but to do so, I would have to go to Haverhill or Dover.

As a result my study of Joseph Bentley is incomplete, and not quite ready to be put in a vault with Mr. Bentley's Mss.

A Mrs. Underwood of Glens Falls wrote me last fall and gave me a little new information, and when I got here in June I studied all the data keeping in mind her point of view. She said that the Bentleys in the Glens Falls area claimed that Joseph Bentley of Queensbury was **born in Warwick**. Even my aunt said he **was b. in R. I.** It was almost the only correct thing she did say. Mrs. Underwood said that there is a very old lady in Glens Falls who remembers seeing letters from Warwick. I don't know whether to Richard B. or his wife, Diana Vaughan, or to Joseph Bentley.[1] If they were to Joseph, they would be quite significant. Several Vaughans went to the Glens Falls region before 1800. I guess this is enough preliminary, and I will go on with your suggestion about J.B.'s identity.

1. William Bentley and wife Sarah Leithfield had 4 sons and 1 dau. William^2 had 12 sons and daus. He bought land in Kent, and his children scattered to Kent and elsewhere as did many Lebanon Bentleys.

2. Thomas^2, the 3d son, m Elizabeth Chamberlain June 6, 1706, and his will, dated Jan. 15, 1772 and prob. Apr. 15, 1778, mentioned sons **William**^{3} and **Benjamin**^{3}, and grandson Caleb^4.This Wiliam^3 (1711—Sep. 25, 1800), b. N.K., R.I., m. Mar. 1, 1732 in E.G., Elizabeth Tillinghast. She d. Beekman, N.Y. Mar. 8, 1770. Children: Tillinghast, b. 1735; William, b. 1736, d.y.; Taber, b.

[1] See **Be:FDCAIC.**

1738, m. Eliz. Vanderburgh; Pardon, b. 1740; Joseph, b. 1742, said to d.y.; William, b. July, 1749; John.

All of the family of this William[3] went to Beekman, although most of them were b. in N.K. Census of 1790 assigned Tilinghast, Taber, William, Sr.; and William Jr. to Beekman and Pardon to Pawling, which is close by. Taber must have got his Dutch wife in Beekman and his mother died there in 1770. Therefore it is likely that this family went to Dutchess Co. as early as 1750 or 1755.

3. The other son, Benjamin[3], m Sarah and had **Joseph** Mar. 25, 1741; Caleb, m (1) Leah and (2) Mary[1] Hewitt according to D.A.R. records, and his dates were 1742—1827. Four joined D.A.R. on his record and all agree on these records, but do not say where he was born. Caleb was captain of a Company under Col. Stephen John Schuyler in Albany Co. I have not seen N.Y. Rev. Rec. for several years, but I remember that in Caleb's Co. were Tillinghast, Taber, Pardon I think, and Joseph. This Joseph was Joseph of Queensbury I believe. Thomas m. Barbara Vaughan; Samuel; Benjamin m. Ruth Vaughan; Ezekiel, Gideon.[2] 1790 Census records Caleb, Benjamin, Thomas, Gideon as of Stephentown, Joseph of Westfield (who d. 1810 and was buried in a field without marker in Queensbury), Benjamin in Kingsbury with a family of 3 males over 16 and 3 females. This family would easily fit Joseph's brother Benj. probably born about 1748. Kingsbury and Queensbury are adjacent townships. Some time ago I learned of an Isaac who d. 1842 in the Glens Falls area, who may have been one of this Benjamin's sons. However, Ike was not of the Joseph descendants, and I had never heard that there was more than one Bentley family in all that region in 1790;. I shall try to investigate this more.

4. Joseph. Here again I must talk of a lot of other people with whom Joseph must have associated while living near Amenia, perhaps in North East: Gilletts, Knickerbockers, two lines of Dutchers (ye Duytcher, de Duyster, de Duisder, etc.), Krieger (Kruger, Crigo and perhaps Criger).

a. Sarah Bentley m. Amos Gillett 1763, and had son Asa 1764. Don't know who Sarah was.

b. Joseph Gillett m. Maritje Knickerbocker. She was sister of Rulef Knick. whose dau. Mary m. Asa Bentley, son of Joseph m. 1796. Asa was a common Gillett name, and appears in the Bentley Family here for the first time. Many Asas came later.

c. Harmen Knick. m. Catrina Duytcher about 1732 and both were living 1771. They were Rulef Knick's parents.

d. Stephen Krieger (Kruger, Crigo) m. Margariet Duytcher, Sister of Catrina about 1730. Don't know where they died, but they may well have lived into the 1770's or even later.

[1]Leah was m to Caleb, **Be:FDDA.**, and Mary was m to Caleb, **Be:FBBH.**

[2]Ezekial" is **not** a son of BENJAMIN (Be:FDD.).

e. Rulef Knick. (1744-1807) m. Catherine Dutcher about 1768.

f. Mary Knick. (Feb. 17 — Dec. 12, 1863) m. Nov. 20, 1796 Asa Bentley.

Gilletts, Knickerbockers were large landholders in or near Amenia. Likewise the Dutchers, whose name developed in 4 or 5 generations from the nickname "Ye Duytcher" of one Jan Willemszen. It is of interest to note that at least one of Willemszen's sons was recorded as John Williamson.

Joseph Bentley had children, Asa, Crigger or some variation of it, Richard and Anna. Asa was a Gillett name before it was Bentley. Anna was not often found among the Bentleys, but was Gillett I think. Crigger is clearly a corruption of Krieger. Richard alone seems to me pure Bentley.

What UnBentleylike (!) names you say. They couldn't ever have happened in little old R.I., but Tillinghast, Tabor and Pardon did happen there.

Joseph Bentley[4] (Benj.[3], Thos.[2], Wm[1]) m. **Jane** about 1772 according to the statements of all the Bentleys in the Glens Falls Area, and I am guessing that she was dau. of Stephen Krieger and that her name was Jannetje Krieger. (insert:) 2nd wife said to be Chloe Moon. Jane died before 1790, because there was but one female in his family, Anna, at that time. She grew up and married — Strong, I think. In the next few generations Jane was a common Bentley name.

Joseph of Queensbury had affidavit that he served two campaigns with R. I. Rangers (insert:) 1758 and 1759 — under Capt. Samuel Rose. The officers of Samuel Rose's Co. were from Warren. The recruiting office was probably at Warwick, which was close to Warren and Exeter. Joseph Bentley was practically on the spot, and of the age even now accepted in the Navy and Army. Pettys and Crandall, who signed the affidavit, were of R.I. families.[1]

With the whole family of his uncle William in Dutchess Co., and some of his own brothers and almost certainly his father in Dutchess Co., Joseph would be pretty sure to go there too.

As to Rev. service, he would naturally wish to be in his brother Caleb's Co.[2]

He went to Westfield probably because he had 4 times traveled over that part of the country on his way to Ticonderoga, and knew that there was much fine land there, quite unlike stony R. I. The wife of the Fort Ann Minister in 1772 was a Gillette.

If the Benjamin of Kingsbury was his brother, his wife was a Vaughan and three Vaughans came to Kingsbury before 1800 from E. G. All these Vaughans were related. At least two of the 3 men

[1]identification confused with other Joseph?

[2]identification confused with other Caleb.

were brothers, maybe all of them. Richard married the daughter of one of them.

I am sorry to send you such a scrawl but I have no typewriter, would type with one finger only and see mostly out of one eye, but I think it is not illegible. Also I am sorry it is so long. I wish that you would read it and tell me whether you think all this is just a guess and not a proof.[1] Don't bother to write more than a card.

If you approve, I will put something together to be typed and duplicated and send you a copy to be put with the other Bentley Mss.

Sincerely,

George H. Selleck (signed)

Be150. Austin, J. O., **The Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island**, pp. 71, 72; 19.

Samuel Eldred was at Cambridge, MA, as early as 1646. From 1657 ca to 10.18.1659 +, Sergeant Samuel Eldred rented farm and stock from Edward Lane, of Boston; the farm was located at Rumney Marsh, Chelsea, MA, ca 3 mi, NNE of Boston (Chelsea was settled in 1624).

On May 4, 1668, at Kings Town (RI), Samuel Eldred and 18 others,[2] of Wickford, signed a letter to the General Court, at Hartford, desiring the protection of their government, as promised four years before, for it not, "that so we may look for government and protection elsewhere, being not able to live either in our civil and ecclesiastical matters without government, which both the honor of God and the good of the country now calls upon us to seek after."

On June 22, 1670, Samuel Eldred took constable's oath at Wickford, under appointment of Connecticut, which then and for many years after, disputed the territory with Rhode Island.

His letter of July 13, 1670, from Wickford, to Thomas Stanton, at Stonington, bears Samuel Eldred's name as "Samwill Eldridge."

On Dec. 13, 1675, "The Eldridges, and some other brisk hands," were at **Richard Smith's** garrison house just before the Narragansett Swamp Fight, as related by **Captain Benjamin Church**, who says they went on a night adventure with him, surprising and capturing eighteen Indians.

On March 7, 1676, the council at Hartford, voted that Samuel Eldred and John Sweet, "have liberty to transport ten bushels of Indian corn apiece, for their distressed families."

On July 29, 1679, Samuel Eldred and 41 others petitioned King Charles II.

[1] See **Be:FDCAI.**

[2] Who were the other eighteen? Did any one of them have a dtr Sarah, who m a man named "Austen" and had a dtr Mary, b 1670?

On April 13, 1697, Samuel Eldred deeded to his son John Eldred, house and 100 acres, with a right on the other side of Pequot Path, and possession was given at this date.

On March 20, 1721, the testimony of **Henry Knowles** was given, as to the **Pequot Path, that it ran to the eastward of the ruins of an old house belonging to old Mr. Eldred, father of the now Captain John Eldred.**

On August 1, 1718, Mrs. William (Sarah ----) Bentl(e)y testified that Samuel Eldred, father to John, "did dwell upon the land where John now dwells, fifty years ago." Sarah added, "**Ye Antient Pequet path or Road y't lead to New London went to ye Eastward of his father's house.**"

Be151. Austin, J. O., **The Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island**, pp. 173, 179, 332.

Henry Knowles, by an order on 5.27.1644, was to cut his lot shorter; on 1.21.1654, was the seller of a house and 9 acres to Thomas Lawton; on 1.4.1657, was the defendant in action of trespass brought against him by Randall Holden.

On 11.20.1657, Henry Knowles (b 1609, d 1670+), sold a house in Warwick to THOMAS SCRANTON (anc. XI.395.). On **8.15.1664**, THOMAS SCRANTON'S dtr MARGARET SCRANTON (**anc. X. 198.**) of Prudence (Prudence Island?), late of Warwick (RI), was married in Warwick to DAVID SHIPPEE (**anc. X.197.**) of "**Maidfeilds**" (**England**, ref: J.N. Arnold).[1] Although MARGARET'S birthdate is unknown, this searcher believes that she was born after 1641; MARGARET'S brother Thomas Scranton (assumed to be older) stated on September 3, 1718, Warwick (RI), that **he** was seventy-seven years of age or thereabout while he deposed that John Gereardy, father-in-law of Jeremiah Smith, had quiet possession of certain land for upwards of fifty years.

Be152. *Ibid.*, 171, 172. John Sanford and son Peleg.

On March 7, 1638, Portsmouth (RI), John Sanford of Boston and 18 others signed the following compact: "We whose names are underwritten do here solemnly in the presence of Jehovah, incorporate ourselves into a Bodie Politick, and as he shall help will submit our persons, lives, and estates unto our Lord Jesus Christ the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, and to all those perfect and most absolute laws of his given us in his holy word of truth, to be guided and judged thereby."

Be162A. Correspondence from A. F. Cirket, Senior Records Officer, Bedfordshire County Council, County Hall, Bedford, England, MK42 9AP. Ref. No. AFC/IH. Replies were to be addressed to County Record Office (hours open: M-F, 9:15 - 1; 2 - 5). Tel: Bedford 63222 (STD 0234) Ext: 277. Extract:

[1]"Maidfeilds, England" has not been located by this searcher; could "Maidfeilds" be a corrupted spelling for Maidford, Northampton County, England? Research is necessary.

Be:

20th February, 1978

Dear Mr. Stewart,

Thank you for your letter of 12th February, 1978. **Wm. Bentley was baptised in Ampthill church on 13 Sep. 1640. He was the son of Jn. Bentley who married Mary Betts, also in Ampthill church on 3 Oct. 1630.** Five other children of John and Mary are recorded as being baptised at Ampthill before their brother William. i.e. Robt. 25 Mar. 1631; Mary 11 Nov. 1632; John 20 Jul. 1634; Thos. 10 Apr. 1636; and Jas. 6 May 1638. Jn. Bentley, the father, was buried at Ampthill[1] on 26 Mar. 1666, and Thos. on Jan. 11 following; Jn. on 22 July. 1686 and Jas. on 28 Jan. 1696/7. The registers contain further information.

Jn. Bentley above (who married Mary Betts) was the son of William Bentley who married Mary Goodwin in St. Paul's church, Bedford on the 18 or 20 May 1601 (parish register and transcript do not agree on the day). This couple had six children baptised in Elstow church - Margt. on 13 Nov. 1603; Eliz. 23 Oct. 1605; Thos. 12 Jul. 1607; Jn. 5 Nov. 1608; Rose 12 Jul. 1612; Emma on 8 Feb. 1617. Margt. married Thomas Bunnion, jun. (himself baptised at Elstow on 24 Feb. 1602) on 23 May 1627 (she being his second wife). Their eldest son, John (baptised on 30 Nov. 1628), was the author of "The Pilgrim's Progress". Their third daughter, Rose (baptised 1612), married Edward Bonnionn, born before 1602, brother of Thos. and Uncle of John the writer.

. . . I enclose a list of persons who do professional searches in our County, as requested, as we cannot undertake further research on the subject. I also enclose a rough outline pedigree of the Bentley family of Elstow and Ampthill; a Supplement to the Guide to the Bedfordshire Record Office" and a "Guide to the Russell Collection."

[1] **Ampthill** was named in a newspaper article of the Long Beach (CA) **Press-Telegram**, March 14, 1982, entitled "Dog Finds Literary Gold," and again in the March 15 issue of the San Gabriel Valley **Tribune**, having been reported originally in the London **Sunday Times**. The object of an international treasure hunt — an 18-karat gold pendant in the shape of a hare, studded with six precious stones and worth about $5,400 — was uncovered by an avid hunter of the treasure while walking his dog in February in a park at Ampthill in Bedfordshire, 43 miles northwest of London. The golden hare was buried just below ground in Ampthill Park 2½ years before on August 8, 1979, by Kit Williams, author of a children's storybook entitled **Masquerade** (read around the world), and a trusted witness. The pendant was hidden 18 feet, 9 inches from a cross erected in honor of Catherine of Aragon, the first wife of King Henry VIII, who lived for a time at Ampthill. Clues to the location of the treasure were scattered throughout the storybook. The "sleuth" learned that Williams had spent much of his childhod near Ampthill. "I was dead lucky," the unidentified finder and exhausted digger said. "I got some of the clues but not all of them. My dog found it for me when it ran off to have a wee against the stone." The alert victor read part of the tombstone's inscription quoted from the 104th Psalm "...all earth is full of thy riches." "It could be here," he thoughtfully concluded, and it was there.

"The Record Repositories in Great Britain" is a Stationery Office publication and I understand a new edition is in course of preparation. A copy can be obtained from "Her Majesty's Stationery Office, 49 High Holborn, London WCIV 6HB."

Yours sincerely,

(signed) A. F. Cirket,
Senior Records Officer

THE BENTLEYS OF BEDFORDSHIRE

Be.162.B. Bedfordshire progenitor **William Bentl(e)y**, m May 18/20, 1601, Bedford, St. Paul's, to **Mary Goodwin**, bur July 1, 1632 (widow). Their seven children appeared on the chart in this order:

(1) **Margaret**, bap. Nov. 13, 1603, at **Elstow**;
(2) Elizabeth, bap Oct. 23, 1605, at Elstow;
(3) Thomas, bap July 12, 1607, at Elstow;
(4) **John**, bap Nov. 5, 1608, at Elstow, m Oct. 3, 1630, Mary Betts at Ampthill; John was bur March 26, 1666, at **Ampthill**;
(5) Rose, bap July 12, 1612, at Elstow, m Aug. 31, 1629, at Elstow, Edward Bonnionn;
(6) Emma, bap Feb. 8, 1617, at Elstow.
(7) Mary, exec. of mother's Will. Note: Is Mary the eldest (no birth date)?

Of these children of William and Mary, **Margaret** m May 23, 1627, Thos. Bunnion, bap Feb. 24, 1602, at Elstow; their son was **John Bunyan**, author of **The Pilgrim's Progress**, bap Nov. 30, 1628. William and Mary (Goodwin) Bentl(e)y's son John, bap Nov. 5, 1608, at Elstow, bur March 26, 1666, at Ampthill, m Oct. 3, 1630, at Ampthill, Mary Betts. Their six children were:

(A) Rob't, bap Mar. 25, 1631, at Ampthill;
(b) Mary, bap Nov. 11, 1632, at Ampthill;
(C) John, bap July 20, 1634, at Ampthill, bur at Ampthill, July 22, 1686;
(D) Thomas, bap Apr. 10, 1636, at Ampthill, bur at Ampthill, Jan 11, 1666/7;
(E) James, bap May 6, 1638, at Ampthill, bur at Ampthill, Jan 28, 1696/7;
(F) William Bentl(e)y, bap Sep. 13, 1640, at Ampthill.[1]

Be.163.A. According to the **Encyclopaedia Britannica**, Roger Williams **b 1603-?, d between 1.27.1683** and **3.15.1683**), founder of the colony of Rhode Island and pioneer of religious liberty, was the son of a London merchant tailor. At Cambridge, Williams accepted the theology of John Calvin, the Puritan and promoted political measures which would bring an end to episcopacy in the Church of England. In **1628** he became chaplain to the household of Sir William Masham at Otes, Essex, where he was surrounded

[1]The foregoing was on a chart (handmade) sent to this searcher from the Bedfordshire Co. Record Office, Bedford, England.

by such politically active Puritans as Oliver Cromwell, John Winthrop, John Cotton, and Thomas Hooker. During his chaplaincy Williams became a complete nonconformist and, upon the organization of the Massachusetts Bay Colony, left his post to pursue his religious ideals in New England.

When he arrived in Boston in **1631**, however, he showed himself to be more reformed than those who had preceded him. . . Williams accepted appointment as teacher of the Church at Salem, but there, too, he was uneasy at what he believed to be halfway measures, and in **1632** went to Plymouth colony where the congregation was avowedly separatist.

In **1633**, however, Williams was back in Salem, having come to open disagreement with Plymouth on his insistence that the king's patent was invalid and that **only direct purchase from the Indians gave a just title to the land**. Although the Salem church invited him to become pastor in **1634**, the civil authorities of Massachusetts Bay were opposed to his residence, for in addition to his notions about land rights, other of his views were unpopular: he claimed that magistrates had no right to interfere in matters of religion, and that they could not administer oaths to the unregenerate because this constituted an act of religious communion with them. For these views he was banished from Massachusetts Bay, and in **January 1636**, set out on foot for Narragansett Bay.

In the spring of 1636, Roger Williams stepped from his canoe onto the western bank of the Seekonk River, and there on land which he had purchased from the Indians founded the town of Providence and the colony of Rhode Island. He farmed and traded from **1636 to 1683**, living in reduced circumstances partly because he financed his own trips to England.

Be163.B. According to J. O. Austin's account in **The Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island, Roger Williams** was **born ca 1599**; Austin doubtlessly based this calculation on Williams' own testimony that he was nearly 80 years old (four score years) on July 2, 1679.

On December 1, 1630, Roger Williams left Bristol, England, on the ship **Lion** and arrived in Boston on February 5, 1631.

On **October 9, 1635**, the General Court at Boston sentenced him to banishment. "Whereas Mr. Roger Williams, one of the Elders of the church of Salem, hath broached and divulged new and dangerous opinions against the authority of magistrates, as also written letters of defamation, both of the magistrates and churches here, and that before any conviction, and yet maintaineth the same without any retraction; it is, therefore, ordered that the said Mr. Williams shall depart out of this jurisdiction within six weeks now next ensuing," &c. He received permission to remain till spring, but the Court hearing that he would not refrain from uttering his opinions and that many people went to his house, "taken with an apprehension of his Godliness," and that he was preparing to form a plantation about Narragansett Bay; resolved to send him to England.

In January of 1636, a messenger was sent to Salem to apprehend him, but when the officers "came to his house, they found he had gone three days before, but whither they could not learn." He wrote, thirty-five years after his banishment, "I was sorely tossed for one fourteen weeks in a bitter winter season, not knowing what bed or bread did mean." He obtained from Massasoit a grant of land on the east bank of the Seekonk River, and commenced to plant, when he was advised by Governor Winslow that he was within the limits of Plymouth colony. He accordingly embarked in the spring or early summer, with five companions, landed at State Rock (as since called) to exchange greetings with the Indians, and then pursued his way again by boat to the site of his new settlement on the Moshassuck River, which for the many "Providences of the Most Holy and Only Wise, I called Providence." This same year his mediation, at the request of Massachusetts, prevented a coalition of the Pequots with the Narragansetts and Mohegans. He wrote of this service in later years: "Three days and nights my business forced me to lodge and mix with the bloody Pequot ambassadors, whose hands and arms me thought reeked with the blood of my countrymen murdered and massacred by them on Connecticut river."

Among the five companions who accompanied **Roger Williams** to "Providence" were (1) **William Harris** (who with Thomas Harris, his brother, accompanied Roger Williams in 1630 from England to America in 1631); spent the winter at Seekonk before arriving in "Providence" before July of 1636; (2) **John Smith**, the miller, of Dorchester, MA; (3) **Thomas Angell**, (who also was aboard the ship **Lyon** from Bristol, England, December 1, 1630, to America, arriving in Boston, February 5, 1631, later moving to Salem); (4) **Joshua Verin** (who was Philip's son, a roper, from Salisbury, Wilts Co., England, in 1635, aboard ship **James** from Southampton, later moving to Salem), d 1695, Barbadoes, W.I.; and (5) **Francis Wick(e)s (?)**.

According to records of his son Benedict, William Arnold of Cheselbourne, Dorset Co., England, embarked May 1, 1635, from Dartmouth, England, arrived June 24, 1635, in America, living in Hingham, MA, before joining Roger Williams in Providence on April 20, 1636. William Arnold is **not** believed to have been one of the five men to accompany Roger Williams to Seekonk and then to Providence in 1636.

Roger Williams, on October 8, 1638, deeded land bought "of Canonicus and Miantonomi," to twelve settlers including Thomas Olney, Ezekial Holliman, William Arnold, Stukeley Wescott, Richard Waterman, Francis Weston, William Carpenter, John Greene (of Warwick), Thomas James, John Throckmorton, Robert Cole, and one unidentified settler.

Be163.C. The searcher who is interested in learning more about the "Early Settlers of Providence Plantations," is encouraged to read seven pages published in the **R. I. Roots**, Vol. 5, Spring 1979, by The Rhode Island Genealogical Society. Sources for the article include: (1) Hopkins, Charles Wyman, **The Home Lots of the Early Settlers**, Providence: Providence Press Co., 1886; (2) **Early Records of the Town of Providence**, Vol. 1, 1892.

Be164. Arnold, J., **Vital Record of Rhode Island 1636-1850**, Vol. 2, Providence. Original Town Records (book and page numbers) for Providence.

Williams, Roger, d **--.--.1682**, Providence (2:82).
Williams, Roger, b Wales **1598** (2:82).
Roger Williams and Mary had these CH:

Williams, Mary, b first week in August, **1633**, Plymouth (1:4).
Williams, Freeborne, b latter part of October, **1635**, Salem (1:4).
Williams, Providence, b latter part of September, **1638**, at Providence (1:4).
Williams, Mercy, b **7.15.1640**, Providence (1:4).
Williams, Daniel, b **2.15.1641**, Providence (1:4); 2.15.1642 (2:82).
Williams, Joseph, b **first part of December, 1643** (1:4).

Daniel Williams was the father of:
Williams, Roger, b **--.--.1680** (2:82).

Roger Williams was the father of:
Williams, Rebecca, b **4.20.1735**, Scituate (2:82).

Be165.A. MacGunnigle, B.C., compiler, **Rhode Island Freemen, 1747—1755, A Census of Registered Voters**, Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1977.

Introductory comments by MacGunnigle include:

> In 1746 an act was passed by the General Assembly requiring that all freemen take an oath, or affirmation, against bribery and corruption. As this was the first time the oath was called for, all the freemen of the colony were required to take the oath and be readmitted as freemen in 1747. This in effect created a Census of Freemen in Rhode Island in 1747.
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> First he (the freeman) was at least twenty-one years old, generally just turned twenty-one; second, his town of residence is revealed; and, third, he probably owned land there.

Included in this reference is the "Rhode Island Census 1748" as shown in Bartlett's **Colonial Records**, Vol. 5, p. 270.

The following is a partial list of RI Towns and the total number of white persons living in each one.

Charlestown	641
East Greenwich	956
Exeter	1103
Jamestown	284
New Shoreham	1004
N. Kingstown	1665
Providence	3177
Richmond	500
Smithfield	400
S. Kingstown	1405

Warwick	1513
West Greenwich	757
Westerly	1701

Be165.B. *Ibid.*, pp. 14, 39, 40.

Indexer MacGunnigle took Sidney S. Rider's published lists (1875) of freemen for 1747 - 1753 and half the towns for 1754, checked them for accuracy against the original lists in the Rhode Island State Archives, and arranged them in alphabetical order, including the town of residence and the date the individual was created "freeman." The towns not included by Rider for 1754 and all of 1755 have been compiled from the original records and added.

Of special interest are the names of Bentl(e)y, Scranton, and Shippee, listed as follows:

BENTL(E)Y
Benjamin, Exeter, 1749.
John, Richmond, 1748.
Thomas, Exeter, 1747.
Thomas, Jamestown, 1754.
Thomas, Jr., Exeter, 1754.
William, Charlestown, 1747.
William, Exeter, 1747.
William, East Greenwich, 1754, 1755.

SCRANTON
Daniel, Warwick, 1751.
Fones, North Kingstown, 1755.
Stephen, Warwick, 1748.
Thomas, North Kingstown, 1747.

SHIPPEE and SHIPPEY
Job, Scituate, 1748.
Thomas, East Greenwich, 1749.
Thomas, Jr., Smithfield, 1749.

Be170. Lecture Notes from speech entitled "Genealogical Research in England," delivered by James D. Parke, member of the SCGS, on 2.8.1978, at the regular SCGS meeting at Cal. Fed. Bldg., Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles, CA.

Suggestions:

1) Write to a genealogical-society member in Bedfordshire to go after Bentley leads.

2) The Society of Genealogists, London, England, has an index file on English surnames.

3) Among the best sources of genealogical information are the "Wills" found in the local shire libraries. If a person died leaving L5 sterling or more, a Will

was necessary. Wills are indexed and found in the Public Records Office, London, and scattered throughout England. Records have been kept since 1086, Domesday Book.

4) Tax books are excellent sources of info. also — poll, subsidies, etc. 1334-1650, thereafter changed names. In 1694, names of family head and others were recorded.

5) Muster rolls, 1522 — on, for 16 to 20 y old males.

6) Protestant Oath Rolls, 1641; marriage settlements; annuities — British Museum in London.

7) Church or parish records; tithes for services. Warden and Vestry Accounts; receipts — Christening, notice (?); pew rents — records.

8) Records of the 13th and 14th Century: Consistatory Court in manor areas for petty offenses, etc. list property owners for 200 years.

9) King's Court, records written in Latin; various lists of men including juries of freemen.

10) Apprenticeships, lists of; freemen, lists of.

11) Lists of names involved in changes of surname (eg, 3X in 3 generations).

12) Records of surname-spelling changes.

13) Check the Oxford and Cambridge lists of students; and check the lists of professional people; lists are in educational institutions. Many names with similarity have relationships stated.

14) Papers and magazines: in 1640, the first newspaper was printed in London; the 1750 newspapers were helpful or useful to the speaker (James Parke).

15) Provincial Newspapers; best collections in the British Museum; however, also in the County offices.

16) Records of the Quakers.

17) In London, Bonhill Field (1675—1902) (?) (dates?) for nonconformist church burials.

18) Marriages by Banns published in own church.

19) Military Records; must know the regiment or go through the whole Army to find the service records of a given individual.

20) Parke has examined about 90% of the Bedfordshire marriage records 1637—1837.

21) Boyd's Marriage Index (for English marriages) is in the Genealogical Society Library in SLC, UT ("Mormon Lib.").

22) After 1636, records were kept in Parishes. Before 1600, records were kept on separate pieces of paper. In the Bishops Transcripts are copies of the records.

23) Dates of Christening varied.

24) Marriages in "Peculiars" — *i.e.* married outside of residential area.

25) Nonconformists (some) — complied with the law.

26) Marriages performed in the Church where vicar was a friend or relative, *etc.*

27) "Gretna Green" in Dumfries Co., S Scotland, on English border, village on the Sark, long famous as marrying place of runaway couples from England.

28) Many marriages also on the Isle of Man.

29) Public Record Office (C.R.O.), London; new facilities have been opened recently for the old records.

30) Victorian Histories of England located shire by shire.

31) Also bound histories of areas (different) in England, very helpful. **Add.**: Records in St. Catherine's House?

32) Passenger lists, best in Mormon Library; also group in Baltimore, MD.

Query: Where in Bedfordshire near Ampthill would this searcher write for genealogical help? Send British money at rate of $2 American for L1 sterling; open Bank Account in England. Correspondence: (1) Society in UK.; (2) go into the area; (3) ref.:

Record Repositories in Great Britain, London, Her Majesty's Stationery Office, copyright 1973.

(a) Bedfordshire or Bedford County Record Office:

(1) County Hall, Bedford, tel.: Bedford (0234) 63222, Ext. 276.
(2) County Archivist: Miss P.L. Bell, B.A.;
(3) **Guide to the Bedfordshire Record Office**, 1957, with two supplements 1962 and 1966.

(b) PR, M/T, DRO (St. Albans, Archdeaconry of Bedford); Mi R. UVL. Repair. (*i.e.*, good records).

Be172. Baptismal Record for a "William Bentl(e)y" in Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England, **Christening** on September 13, 1640, of William Bentl(e)y, Son of John. **Identity** of this "William Bentley" as "William Bentl(e)y of Kings Town" **is not positive**. Call Number of Original Record: **Beds 2 Vol 17 Parish Registers, Chr 1602 — 1812**. Parish Register Printout PN-P-371-1; Library Call No. 5999350; **Microfilm** 0471892, Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT.

Be173. Census Report of 1861, Pickering Twp., Ontario Co., Province of Ontario, Canada.

Be174. Census Report of 1871, Pickering Twp, Ontario Co., Ontario Province, Canada; microfilm 0349174, Genealogical Soc. Lib., Ximeno Branch, Long Beach, CA; gleaned on 10.4.1977.

Ident. and Class:

Be:FDDADE. (Family #101) Bentley, Nathan, age 60 y, b US, Universalist, m, Farmer, English.

Spouse — Bentley, Catherine (------), 59 y, b Ont., Universalist, m, German.

Be:FDDADEC. Bentley, George, 32 y.

Be:FDDADEG. Bentley, Norman, 24 y.

Be:FDDADEf. Bentley, Elizabeth, 25 y.

Be:FDDADEh. Bentley, Matilda, 21 y.

Be:FDDADEi. Bentley, Lucinda, age 19 y.

Be:FDDADEA. (Family #99) Bentley, Lewis, age 35 y, b ON, Widower, English, Farmer and Manufacturer of Patent Medicine.

Be:FDDADEAA. Bentley, William H., age 6 y.

Be:FDDADEAb. Bentley, Emma, age 4 y.

(Family #101) Bentley, Clarinda (--------), age 54 y, Widow, b Ontario, Universalist, English.

Be:FDDADFB. Bentley, Lafayette, 22 y, Commercial Traveller.

Be:FDDADFD. Bentley, Frank, 17 y, going to school.

Be:FDDADFe. Bentley, Eliza, 15 y, going to school.

Be175. Birth Certificates, naming both parents and the newborn child, file location; **ident. and class.:**

(A) BCRN: 17-05-039626 (Toronto, ON), Caldwell Bethel Sheppard, **Be:FDDADFBaB.**, son of Nina Bentley and husband Laudlow Sheppard.

(B) BCRN: 51:-05-031497 (Toronto, ON), Glenn Dirk Sheppard, **Be:FDDADFBaBB.**, son of Caldwell B. Sheppard and wife Alida van Dyk.

(C) BCRN:61-05-097804 (Toronto, ON), Gregory Wayne Sheppard, **Be:FDDADFBaBC.**, son of Caldwell B. Sheppard and wife Alida van Dyk.

Be176. Bruce, D.H. (ed.), **Onondaga's Centennial**, II, 1896.

Be177. Last Will and Testament of James Winmill, Book 16, No. 5894, Surrogate Court, Town of Goderich, Huron County, Ontario; Land Registry Office, Goderich.

James Winmill of the Twp of West Wawanosh, Huron Co., Ontario, d 10.25.1920. Administration of his property was granted to **Albert Oscar Winmill**, Goderich, Huron Co., retired farmer (Almira Winmill, the other executor named in the Will having duly renounced all her right and title to probate and execution thereof). **James Winmill**, in his Will dated 5.5.1909,

gave to **his wife Almira Winmill** sole use during her natural life the S ½ of the E ½ of Lot 23 of Con. 1, West Wawanosh Twp, Huron Co., and the household furniture for her sole use and benefit. **James Winmill** gave to his **"son Albert Oscar Wimill"** all of his farm stock and implements, and at the death of his wife Almira Winmill, his farm as described above.

Be178. Indenture No. 748, Book IX, Twp of Wawanosh, Huron Co., Ontario, 5.24.1874: **Deed of Land** from **Almedia Sarles** (signature) to **Almira Winmill**, "Almeda Sarles of the Township of Whitby in the County of Ontario in the Province of Ontario, **Spinster** of the First Part; and **Almira Winmill wife of James Winmill** of the said Township of Whitby Yeoman of the Second Part." Tract of land in Twp. of Wawanosh, Huron Co., composed of the N½ of the E½ of Lot 23 in Con. 1 containing 50 acres.

Be179. Indenture No. 497, Vol. 9, **Deed of Land**, to **James Winmill** of Twp. of Whitby, Ontario Co., Farmer, from George Houston, Twp. of Wawanosh, Huron Co., Farmer, and Sarah Marinda, his wife, for E½ Lot 23, Con. 1, Wawanosh Twp., dated 11.12.1873, **possession given 2.15.1874.**

Be180. The **1851 Census Report**, Canada, Ontario Province, Ontario Co., Uxbridge; Microfilm "Canada," No. 0349230; located 8.77, in the Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT. **Albert Bentley**, age 28 (calc. b ca 1824), m Sibbey, age 19 (calc. b ca 1833), Christian Church; **Morison Bentley**, age 1 (calc. b ca 1851); **William Bentley**, age 11 (calc. b ca 1841). Classification: Albert Bentley, **Be:FDDDABA., Ba:AaA.**, m (1848) Sibbey Sarles (Ba:A.118.), **Sa:CDg., Sh:Aeg.** This searcher considers Morrison Bentley to be the eldest child of Albert and Sibbey (Sarles) Bentley, on the basis of the evidence in this CR. Therefore, the classification of Morrison Bentley has been determined to be: **Be:FDDDABAA., Ba:AaAA., Sa:CDgA., Sh:AegA.** William Bentley is **not** considered by this searcher to be a son of Albert by any previous marriage. William Bentley is likely the brother of Albert, since calculated dates of birth appear (age 20, **1861 CR**; Ba:S.79.) to be the same; therefore this searcher identifies William Bentley as William H. Bentley, **Be:FDDDABG., Ba:Aag.**

Be181. The **1861 Census Report**, Canada, Ontario Province, Ontario Co., Pickering Twp; **Martinas Bentley**, farmer, "b US" (?!), member of the Christian Church, age 40 (calc. b ca 1821), m **Sarah** -----, "b US" (?), member of Christian Church, age 31 (calc. b ca 1830); any CH? Classification: Martinas Bentley, **Be:FDDDABB.,Ba:AaB.** However, two questions arise: (1) Is the birth place in error? (2) Is Martinas Bentley's age in error? This searcher prefers additional evidence and considers the classification to be a tentative one. MIRON BENTLEY **(Be:FDDDAB.)** and HANNAH BADGEROW **(Ba:Aa.)** were m 1.7.1823 (Ba:S.84.). This searcher previously considered Albert (MIRON'S son), b ca 1824, to have been HANNAH'S eldest child.

Be182. Census Report of 1861, Ontario, Canada — Uxbridge; Enum. Dist 1, Lots 23 to 37 incl. in Con. 1, 2, 3, & W½ Con. 4; Microfilm No. 0349304, Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT.[1]

44. Albert Bently, Farmer, b Canada, no church, age 37, M.
45. Sibbey Bently, b Canada, age 28, M.
46. Miren[2] Bentley, b Canada, age 10, Male.
47. Will'm Bently, b Canada, age 7, Male.
48. Luther Bently, b Canada, age 4, Male.
49. Phebe Bently, b Canada, age 1, Female.
50. Selah Sarles,[3] Laborer, age 21, no church, single; "not a member of family."

Be188. Will of Samuel B. Bentley, Probate Record No. 840, Office of the Registrar of the Surrogate Court, Lambton County Court House, 700 N. Christina Street, Sarnia, Ontario, Canada.

Samuel B. Bentley, of the Township of Euphemia in Lambton County, Ontario, Farmer, of the Age of 51 years; **Will** written on April 22, 1880; witnesses: Isaac Unsworth (Answorth?) and W'm Webster; signature of Samuel B. Bentley.

Real estate: W½ of Lot 18, Con. 6, Euphemia Twp, Lambton Co., Ontario Province.

Brother	Joseph Leander Bently, Executor
Wife	Ann Jane Bently

"Samuel B. Bently," farmer, Euphemia Twp, Lambton Co., ON d 8.18.1882, Euphemia Twp. He left widow Ann Jane Bently, Twp. of Euphemia. Samuel's brother Joseph Leander Bently of Grindstone City, MI, was appointed sole executor by Samuel; however, Joseph did not prove the

[1]**Martinas Bentley (Be:FDDDABB.)** is named in his brother Wiliam H. Bentley's **Will** (Ba.S.75.) (Be5.) written on 8.23.1866, but Albert Bentley is not. Both Martinas and Albert Bentley are named in the **Will** (Ba.S.74.) (Be11.) of their father Myron (or Miron) Bentley and are referred to as ". . . my son Albert Bentley . . ." and ". . . my **second** son Martinas Bentley . . ." Although Albert Bently's age in the **1861 CR** is stated as 37 and the age of Martinas Bentley is stated as 40 in the **1861 CR, this searcher consideres Albert Bentley (Be:FDDDABA., Ba:AaA.), as the first-born son of Myron and Hannah (Badgerow) Bentley.** Albert Bentley's age as stated in the **1851 CR** was 28 years. Miron Bentley and Hannah Badgerow were married 1.7.1823 (Ba.S.84.). Martinas Bentley's age, as stated in the **1861 CR**, **most likely** is in error.

[2]The ages of Albert, Sibbey, and Morrison in the 1851 CR (Be181) were 28, 19, and 1, respectively; the ages of Albert, Sibbey, and Miren in the 1861 CR (Be182) were 37, 28, and 10, respectively. This searcher concludes that "Morrison" is a spelling corruption of "Miron" or "Miren" above; these are simply different names for the same person, in this searcher's opinion. Further evidence is desired.

[3]**Selah Sarles, Sa:CDBB., Sh:AeBB.**, nephew of **Sibbey (Sarles) Bentley, Sa:CDg., Sh:Aeg.**, and **Albert Bentley, Be:FDDDABA.**

Will or administer the estate. Joseph failed to obtain probate after having been notified. Samuel's widow applied for his goods on 11.3.1883; letters were granted 11.13.1883.

Identity (?).

Be189. Will of Caleb G. Bentley, No.---, Office of the Registrar of the Surrogate Court, Lambton County Court House, 700 N. Christina Street, Sarnia, Ontario, Canada.

Caleb G. Bentley, of the Township of Euphemia, **Lambton County**, Province of Ontario (Province of Canada then), Yeoman; **Will** written August 31, 1866; witnesses: John Gunne, Clk; John McGregor of Twp of Euphemia; signature of Caleb G. Bentley.

Wife	Harriett, Executrix
Oldest daughter	Mary
Son	Samuel
Son	David V. Bentley
Daughter	Miriam R.
Son	Anderson M.
Son	Simon M. Bentley
Friend and Neighbour	Thomas Carey, Executor

Real estate: 30 acres, W part of W½ of Lot 18, Con. 6, Euphemia Twp, Lambton Co. — "being that property on which I now reside."

Be190. Will of Lafayette Bentley, No. 6501, Office of the Registrar of the Surrogate Court, Judicial District of Durham, Court House, 605 Rossland Rd, East Whitby, Ontario, LIN 5S4.

Lafayette Bentley, of the village of Brougham, Ontario Co., Physician; **Will** written on July 18, 1921; witnesses: Miss Mary J. Hood and Geo. Luther Middleton; signature of Lafayette Bentley.

Daughter	Nina Llewella Sheppard

Ident. and Class.: Lafayette Bentley, **Be:FDDADFB.**, and his dtr Nina Llewella Bentley, **Be:FDDADFBa.**, with married surname of Sheppard.

Be191. Will of William Bentley, No. 168, Office of the Registrar of the Surrogate Court, Judicial District of Durham, Court House, 605 Rossland Rd, East, Whitby, Ontario, L1N 5S4.

William Bentley, of the Village of Brougham, Pickering Twp, Ontario Co., Ontario, Canada, Gentleman; **Will** written February 3, 1860; witnesses: W'm — Michell, E. P. Hubbard, and Robert Brown; signature of William Bentley.

Brother	Nathan Bentley, Executor
Friend	James Woodruff, Executor
Friend	Thomas C. Hubbard, Executor

Daughter Phoebe Vanzant born Bentley, the wife of Michael Vanzant	
Daughter Maria Sharrard born Bentley, the wife of James W. Sharrard the younger	
Daughter	Louisa Bentley

Ident. and Class.: William Bentley, **Be:FDDADC.**; his brother Nathan Bentley, **Be:FDDADE.**;
his dtr Phoebe Bentley, **Be:FDDADCc.**;
his dtr Maria Bentley, **Be:FDDADCa.**;
his dtr Louisa Bentley, **Be:FDDADCb.**;
and his dtr Maria's husband James W. Sharrard the younger, **Sh:ACBA.**

Be192. Will of James L. Bentley, No. 505, Office of the Registrar of the Surrogate Court, Judicial District of Durham, Court House, 605 Rossland Rd. East, Whitby, Ontario, L1N 5S4; also on microfilm 0453686, GSL, SLC, UT.

James L. Bentley, of the Village of Brougham, in Pickering Twp, Ontario Co., Ontario (then, the Province of Canada), Druggist; **Will** written on December 4, 1866; witnesses: Abigail Gould, of the Village of Brougham, Spinster, and W'm -- Michell, of the Twp of Pickering, Gentleman; signature and seal of James L. Bentley.

Real property: Central third part of 33 1/3 acres of the N½ of Lot 18, Con. 5, Pickering Twp; ¼ acre of Village Lot 15 (NW Angle; ½ acre NW part of Lot 18, comprising Village Lots numbers 57 and 58; Village lots numbers 11, 10 and 9 being parts of SW part of Lot 19, Con 6, Pickering Twp.

Wife	Clarinda Bentley, born Crawford, Executrix
Daughter	Eliza Bentley
Nephew	Lewis Bentley, Executor

"my Children" — but names none but Eliza

Ident. and Class.: James L. Bentley, **Be:FDDADF.**; his wife Clarinda Crawford; his nephew Lewis Bentley, **Be:FDDADEA.**; mentions that he has children but names only one dtr, Eliza Bentley, **Be:FDDADFe.**

Be193. Will of James Bentley, Sr., No. 916, Office of the Registrar of the Surrogate Court, Judicial District of Durham, Court House, 605 Rossland Rd. East, Whitby, Ontario, L1N 5S4.

James Bentley, Sr. of Reach Twp, Ontario Co., Ontario Province, Canada, Yeoman; **Will** written February 22, 1875; witnesses: Francis Ward and Joseph E. Armstrong; James Bentley, Sr. signed with his X mark.

Son	Thomas Bentley, unmarried in 1875, Executor
Son	James Bentley, unmarried in 1875, Executor
Wife	Mary Bentley

Be:

Daughter	Mary Ashton's family
	Sarah Ashton, wife of Edward Ashton
Son-in-law	Edward Ashton, Executor
	Elizabeth, wife of Joseph Ward
Son-in-law	Joseph Ward, Executor
	Isabella, wife of James Mitchell
	Hannah, wife of John Thomas Crosier
	Jemima, wife of George Hodgins
	Jane, wife of William Crosier

"my said late daughter's family shall be considered as one of the shares — equal with the rest of my daughters hereinbefore mentioned."

Homestead: 65 acres, **part of Lot 5, Con. 5, Reach Twp**; son Thomas to have the west part (son James, the east part).

Land to executors to be sold and proceeds therefrom equally divided amongst above named: 97½ acres, part of **Lot 11, Con. 7, Uxbridge Twp**, Ontario Co., Ontario.

Identification? See Be196.

Be194. Correspondence of July 20 and August 1 of 1978 from 8th-cousin (one-time removed) Justin Lee Dingman, 3719 North Huson, Tacoma, WA 98407. Although not all of the selected descendants of his Bentley ancestor were not specifically documented, those in direct line to his son are well-documented here. Justin traced his descent from Bathsheba (Bentley) Bacon's daughter Elmira (Bacon) Deputy to himself Justin Lee Dingman (**11**) son of Harvey Layton Dingman (**10**), Edith Frances Hawkman (**9**), Luella May Patton (**8**), Mary Elizabeth Deputy (**7**), Almira Bacon (**6**), Bathsheba (**5**), Benjamin (**4**) Green (**3**), William (**2**), WILLIAM BENTLEY (**1**) of Kingtown, RI Colony, *i.e.*:

Justin Lee Dingman (Be:FBLDcdfebBA.).

Be195. Bentley, Elisha Tucker, **A Line of Descent from William Bentley, Jr.**, Satsuma Heights, FL: 1895; additional information by his descendants; the typed manuscript was notarized and certified on 2.14.1941, County of Hampden, MA, for Mrs. Nancy Hubbard Howes, Chairman, Genealogical Records Committee, the Eunice Day Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Holyoke, MA, that the manuscript was a copy of records written by E. T. Bentley, November, 1895. A copy of the manuscript is in the New England Historic Genealogical Library, 101 Newbury Street, Boston, MA. Data from the above source has been classified, adapted without further documentation. This searcher recommends the search for a living descendant of E. T. Bentley's to aid in the documentation from public records.

Be196. Ontario County Marriage Register, 1858—1869, ON, Canada, transcription by William E. Britnell, Mississauga, ON, enclosed in his letter of 8.13.1977. Selected extracts are for the surname of **Bentl(e)y** with numbers of register volumes and pages included. Identification and classification by this searcher is incomplete. See addendum for members of the Sarles, Sharrard, and Badgerow Family Groups named in this marriage Register also (see Addendum: Sa: Sh: Ba:).

Be196.A. Reg. Vol. 1: page 88. **Benjamin Dafoe** of Thurlow, age 26, b Thurlow, Canada West (Ontario), son of Abraham and Urtle Dafoe, m 12.25.1860, to **Frances Bentley** of Whitby, age 23, b Canada, dtr of **MIRON** and **HANNAH BENTLEY**; witnesses: Hugh Burtes and Isabela Nichols, both of Whitby; Minister, Gardner Wells.

Ident.-class.: Frances Bentley, Be:FDDDABf., Ba:Aaf.;
MIRON BENTLEY, Be:FDDDAB.; and
HANNAH BADGEROW, Ba:Aa.

Be196.B. 1:139. James Winmill of Whitby, b Quebec, son of Thomas Winmill and Sarah Fossil, m 1.17.1861, to **ALMIRA BENTLEY SARLES** of Whitby, age 25, b Pickering, dtr of **MIRON BENTLEY** and **HANNAH BADGEROW**; wit: John Lee and Alexander Wilson, both of Whitby; Minister, Thomas Sharp of As(h)burn.

I-C: ALMIRA BENTLEY, IV.4., Be:FDDDABe., Ba:Aae., widow of **JOHN SARLES, IV.3., Sa:CDJ., Sh:AeJ.**, m secondly **James Winmill. ALMIRA** was the dtr of **MIRON BENTLEY, V.7., Be:FDDDAB.** and **HANNAH BADGEROW, V.8., Ba:Aa.**

Be196.C. 1:148. John Vanzant of Brougham, age 22, b Pickering, son of John and Nancy Vanzant, m 6.3.1861, to **Louise Bentley** of Brougham, age 21, b Pickering, dtr of **William** and **Elizabeth Bentley**; wit: William Hawkans and Alonza Phillips of Toronto; Minister, John Law.

I-C: Louise Bentley, Be:FDDADCc.;
William Bentley, Be:FDDADC.

Be196.D. 1:182. John Bently of Reach, age 23, b Scarborough, son of **James** and **Mary Bentley**, m 2.6.1862, to **Mary Ann Beswick** of Reach, age 20, b England, dtr of George and Ann Beswick; wit: Andrew T. Dalby, James Mitchell, both of Reach; Minister, John Law.

I-C: John Bently, Be: (unidentified).
James Bentley, Be: (unidentified).

Be196.E. 2:3 James Mitchell of Reach, age 23, b Scotland, son of John and Elizabeth Mitchell, m 4.27.1863, to **Isabella Bently** of Reach, age 21, b Canada, dtr of **James** and **Mary Bently**; wit: Joseph Markham and John Garner, both of Reach; Minister, Joseph Waid.

I-C: Isabella Bently, Be: (unidentified).
James Bently, Be: (unidentified).

Be196.F. 2:59. James C. Smith of Pickering, age 22, son of Wm and Elizabeth Smith, m 9.27.1866, to **Martha B. Bently** of Brougham, age 19 b Pickering, dtr of **Jas.** and **Manda** (?) **Bentley**; wit: Margaret Smith and **Lafayette Bently**, both of Brougham; Minister, John W. Nobles.

I-C: Martha B. Bentley, Be:FDDADFa.;
James L. Bentl(e)y, Be:FDDADF.; and
Clarinda (Crawford) Bentley.

Be196.G. 3:37. George Hodgson of Uxbridge, age 21, m 3.24.1868, to **Gemima Bently** of Reach, age 20, b Reach, dtr of **James** and **Mary Bentley**; wit: John Crozier of Reach; Minister, M. L. Pearson.

I-C: Jemima Bentley, Be: (unidentified).
See Be193.

Be197. Correspondence of 9.30.1977, from Caldwell B. Sheppard, and 9.30.1977, from both Caldwell B. Sheppard and his mother Nina (Bentley) Sheppard, their res (1977): 58 Leahann Drive, Scarborough, Ontario, Canada (M1P 1B9). **Ident. and Class.:** Caldwell B. Sheppard **Be:FDDADF-BaB.** and Nina Bentley **Be:FDDADFBa.**

Be198. Commemorative Biographical Record of the County of York, Ontario, Toronto: J. H. Beers, 1907, pp 666-7, "John Wagg." **Ident. and Class.:** Truman Bentley, **Be:FDDADCD.**

Be199.A. Census Report of 1850, Van Buren, Onondaga Co., NY, p. 245, enum. 9.19.1850; submitted by Edwin Bentley of Seattle, WA. Russel D. Bentley, b ca 1802, age "48"y, farmer, b RI; w Julia Bentley, b 1802 ca, age "48"y, b **NY**; Lucinda Bentley, b ca 1831, age "(1)9"y or (?), NY; Russel, b ca 1834, age "16"y, NY; "Emeryene," b 1837 ca, NY; Thomas Handley, age "19"y, laborer, b Ireland; and Hannah Betts, b ca 1772, "72"y, NY. **Ident. and Class.:** Russel D. Bentley, **Be:FDDADA.**

Be199.B. Census Report of 1855, Van Buren, Onondaga Co., NY, enum. 6.8.1855; submitted by Karen Berns Wheaton of Ann Arbor, MI. Russel D. Bentley, b ca 1802, age "53"y, b RI; an Onondaga Co. res 45 y (1810—1855); w Julia Bentley, b ca 1802, age "53"y, Rempellau (?) (Rensselaer—?—this searcher wonders), Onondaga res 33y (1822-1855); **son** Russell Bentley, b ca 1835, age "20"y, b Onondaga Co., res 20 y; **dtr.** Elizabeth Bentley, b ca 1837, "18"y, b Onondaga Co.

Ident. and Class.: Russel D. Bentley, **BeFDDADA.**

Be200. Exeter, Council and Probate (Wills) Book **4**: 43-45; **Will** of Thomas Bently, pr'd 1778. **I-C: THOMAS BENTL(E)Y, Anc.IX.97., Be:FD.**

> **The Last Will and Testament of Thomas Bently of Exeter in the County of Kings County and Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations in New England . . . Yeoman** I the said **Thomas Bently**, being advanced in Years, and Somewhat weak in Body yet of a Sound Disposeing Mind and Memory thanks be Given to Almighty

GOD for the same And calling to mind the Mortality of My Body and believing it is appointed for Mankind Once to die Do make and Ordain this Instrument in Writing to be my Last Will and Testament. That is to say Principally, and first of all, I Give and Recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty GOD that gave it me and my Body to the Earth to be therein Buried in a decent Christain Like Manner at the Discretion of my Executrix herein after named; And as Touching Such Worldly Estate where with it hath pleased Almighty GOD to help me with in this Life I give Demise and Dispose of the Same in the following manner and form (*viz*) Firstly my Will is that all my Just Debts which I Owe to any Person or Persons whatsoever, Together also with my Last Sickness and Funeral Charges be paid by my Executrix herein after named in Some Convenient time after my Decease.

Imprimis I Give and Bequeath unto my true and Loving wife **Mary Bently** the use and Profits of My Dwelling House and all other Buildings on my Homestead farm and also the use and Profits of all my Land whereon I now Live During the time she shall remain my widow **excepting One Acre of Land where the Tann yard is and all**
43 **Buildings and utensials belonging to said yard**, I also Give to my
44 Said wife the use of all my House Hold Goods Excepting what I Shall herein after Dispose of Otherways her Natural Life and after her Decease to be Equally Divided among my Children; **I also give to my said wife my Great Bible -------**

Item --- I Give and Bequeath unto **my Son William Bently** Seven Shillings and Six Pence Lawful Money to be paid by my Executrix herein after Named Soon after my Decease ---

Item --- I Give and Bequeath unto **my Grandson Caleb Bently the Son of my Son Benjamin Bently One Quarter of an Acre of Land where the House Stands which he built adjoyning to the House where his Father now Lives freely to be enjoyed by him** after my Decease to be and remain to him his Heirs and Assigns forever -----

Item --- I Give and Bequeath unto **my Son Benjamin Bently all that Tract of Land Whereon he now lives** (excepting that **Quarter of an Acre** which I have herein before Given to **his Son Caleb Bently**) and is that Tract of Land which I bought of **Samuel Spencer**: which I Give to him his Heirs and Assigns forever, **he My Said Son Benjamin allowing his Said Son Caleb Bently free liberty to pass and repass Across said Tract of Land** as his Necessary Business Shall Require -- I also Give unto **my Said Son Benjamin Bently all my Homestead Farm where I now live Bounded Northerly partly on a Tan Yard containing one Acre of Land belonging to my Son Thomas Bently and Partly on a Highway Easterly on Land belonging to Robert Raynolds and Southerly on Ten Acres and a Half of Land which I have given by Deed to my Son Thomas Bently and westerly partly on Land belonging to Robert Raynolds and partly on the before Described Tan Yard with all the Buildings Appurtenances to the Same belong-**
44 **ing to him my Said Son Benjamin Bently during his Natural life, and**

45 **after him to his Son Caleb Bently and to his Heirs and Assigns** for ever freely to be Enjoyed Immediately after my wives Decease upon Condition that the **my Said Son Benjamin Bently or his Said Son Caleb** or their Executors or Administrators Shall Truly and faithfully **take care of my said wife Mary Bently** to help her in her Necessities so that She doth not come to want ----

Item --- I Give and Bequeath unto **my Son Benjamin Bently** all my Wearing Apparel and my Iron Bar ----

Item --- I Give and Bequeath unto **my Wife Mary Bently** all my Cattle and Swine or whatever Other live Stock I shall Leave at the Time of my Decease, To enable her to raise Money to Pay all my Just Debts and Funeral Charges and Legacies that I have herein ordered and given And Lastly I do hereby Nominate Constitute appoint and ordain **my Said Wife Mary Bently** to be the whole and sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament hereby utterly Disallowing Revoking and Disannuling all and every other Wills Testaments Bequeaths and Legacies by me heretofore made or moved Ratifying and Confirming this and no Other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness wereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal **this Fifteenth Day of June in the Twelfth Year of his Majestys Reign George the Third King of Great Britain . . . Annoque Domini 1772** ---

Thomas Bently (Seal)

Signed Sealed and Declared by the Said
Thomas Bently to be his Last will
and Testament in the Presence of

Mary Brownel
Alice Raynolds
Benja. Raynolds

Benjamin Raynolds and **Alice Raynolds** Two of the within Witnesses to the within will appeared in Town Council of Exeter the **15th Day**
45 **of April AD 1778** And on their Solemn Engagements Did Declare
46 that they Saw the Testator **Thomas Bently** sign .(?.) .

Identification and Classification:
(1) **THOMAS BENTL(E)Y, Anc. IX.97., Be:FD.**, and **Mary**, his wife.
(2) **BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y, Anc. VIII.49., Be:FDD.**
(3) **Caleb Bentl(e)y, Be:FDDA.**
(4) **Thomas Bentl(e)y, Be:FDE.**
(5) **William Bentl(e)y, Be:FDC.**
(6) Mary Brownel (?)
(7) Benjamin Raynolds (?)

Be201. Will of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y (**Anc.X.193., Be:F.**), dated 7.11.1720, Kingstown (RI) Probate Record 6:11 (at Wickford); see text.

Be202. Treasuries Book, 1672—1711, p. 56; Rhode Island State Archives, Office of the Secretary of State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations,

Providence; correspondence of 12.4.1978; "The Generall Treasury Debits," dated **November 9, 1678**. Ref. to **William Bently** below was made by E. Sarter (her p.9) also.

(1) To Cash paid John Pecocks Negroe for whiping of Charles Hill and Mathew Tailor by Court order . . . 2 (sh).

(2) To John Smith for helpeing survay the Lands of Greenwich and other Lands according to order . . . 10 (pounds).

(3) To Symon Parrot for hier of his Boat to Carry The Surrvayers (and) Attendance to **Narrigansett** mony pay 1 (pound).

(4) To William Bently for Carying ye Chains ditto pay 12 (shillings).

(5) To James Renolds Junr for ditto . . . 1 (pound) 2 (sh).

(6) To John Coddington for ditto . . . 3 (pounds).

(7) To James Renolds Senr for Lodging (and) dyett . . . 1 (L) 2 (sh).

(8) To Tho: Brooks for Boat Hier ye Second . . . 10 (sh).

(9) To Henry Lilly for 8 # pork and Sixe pounds of Bread for ye prisoners . . . 2 (sh) 6 (pence).

(10) To Peleg Sanford for Helpeing Survay **East Greenewich** Land etc: and for drinks (and) provision . . . 13 (L) 12 (sh) 1 (p).

(11) To Peter Easton . . .

(12) To Walter Newbery . . .

(etc.)

Be203. Payment Record of 8.20.1675, for a "William Bently" after eight weeks of service as a foot-soldier in King Philip's War (see Be75.). **Ident.:** the foot-soldier Pvt. William Bently may **not** necessarily be progenitor WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y **(Be:F.).**

Be204. Exeter, Land Evidence, Old Series, Book 2, page 126; 1781/2. Caleb Bentley's sale of the **quarter acre** that he received from Grandfather Thomas Bentl(e)y (**Will** proved in 1778) (See Be200.).

> Know all men by these Presents that **I Caleb Bently of Exeter** the County of Kings County, RI C, **Taylor**. For and in Connection --- the sum of One Hundred an Ten Silver Dollars to me in Hand --- before the Delivery hereof by **Benjamin Bently Jun'r** of the Said --- County Abovesaid **Cooper** Have Given, Granted, Bargened, and Sold and Do by these presents give grant Bargin Sell Aliene and fully freely and absolutely Convey and Confirm unto him the said **Benjamin Bently Jun'r** his Heirs and Assigns forever One Certain Lot of Land with one Dwelling House thereon Standing situate Lying and Being in Exeter aforesaid, **Said Lot Containing one Quarter of an Acre of Land** and is Butted as followeth (*viz*) Northerly, Easterly, Southerly, and Westerly, **on Land of Benjamin Bentley Senior**, and Said House in the Westerly part or Division of the **House where Benjamin Bently**

and Caleb Bently now Lives To Have and To Hold the said granted and Bargained premises to gather with all the all the Appurtenances free of all Incumbrances whatsoever to him the said **Benjamin Bentley Jun'r** his Heirs and Assigns forever as an Absolute Estate of Inheritance in fee simple Forever, and I the said **Caleb Bently** for my Self my Heirs Executors and Administrators. Do Covenant and Engage the above Demised premises to him the Said **Benjamin Bently Jun'r** his Heirs ye Assigns Against the Lawful Claims or Demands of any person or persons whatsoever for ever to Warrant Secure and Defend by these presents. And **I Leah Bently wife of the Said Caleb Bently** for the Consideration Abovesaid Doth yeald and Sorender up all her Right of Dowre and Power of thirds in and unto the above Discribed Premises unto him the Said **Caleb Bently** his Heirs and Assigns for Ever in Witness Whereof we the Said **Caleb Bently and Leah Bently** have hereunto Set our Hands and Seals **the Second Day of April in the Year of our Lord -- 1781.**

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presence of us
Benja. Johnson
Robart Raynolds

Caleb Bently (Signature ? Seal)

Leah Bently (Signature ?, Seal)

Record (of) **January 21st, 1782**
(illegible signature)

Kent for the Day and year above written personally appeared the above Named Caleb Bently and Acknowledged the above Deed . . . .

Conclusion:
This searcher believes that the above document proves that Caleb Bentley (**Be:FDDA.**) is the son of Benjamin Bentl(e)y (**Be:FDD.**), named above as Benjamin Bentley Senior. The above named Benjamin Bentley Junior (**Be:FDDE.**) is Caleb's brother and the son of Benjamin Bentley Senior. Caleb and Father Benjamin were named as recipents of these lands by Caleb's grandfather Thomas Bentl(e)y in his **Will** (see Be200.).

Be205.A. The Narragansett Settlers' Petition of 7.29.1679, to King Charles II. See two photos and also printed copy of the original records kept in the Public Record Office, KEW, Richmond, Surrey, England; doc. CO 1/43 no. 99 is in custody of the P.R.O.

Be205.B. Colonial Records: Records of the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantatons (1679), Vol. 3, pp 58-60, "Petition from the inhabitants of the Narragansett Country to the King," King's Province, in Narragansett, July 29, 1679. Xerox copy received with correspondence from Rhode Island State Archives, Office of the Secretary of State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, Providence, Dec. 4, 1978.

The Petition was signed in one hand (top left to right in four columns): (1) **William Bently**, (2) Henry Gardner, (3) John Greene, (4) Richard Smith, (5) Nicholas Gardner, (6) Benj. Gardner, (7) John Coale, (8) Jer. Bull, (9) Geo. Gardner, (10) Sam. Eldred, (11) Tho. Gold, (12) Daniel Greene, (13) Arthur

Aylworth, (14) Geo. Whitman, (15) Sam. Wilson, (16) Hen. Reynolds, (17) Robert Vinin, (18) James Greene, (19) James Reynolds, (20) John Eldred, (21) James Reynolds, (22) Thomas Souell, (23) Daniel Eldred, (24) Rob't Spink, (25) Daniel Swete, (26) Rob't Spink, Jun'r, (27) Joseph Dalaver, (28) Sam. Alsbery, (29) John Shelldin, (30) Alexander Fenix, (31) William Gardner, (32) William Coston, (33) Henry Tipets, (34) John Sheldon, Jun'r, (35) Aron Jackwaies, (36) William Knolls, (37) Frell Newton, (38) Thos. Brooks, (39) Rouse Helme, (40) Geo. Palmer, (41) Joseph Reynolds, (42) Lodwick Updike.

(Indorsed.) Petition of the inhabitants of the Narragansett Country.

(Copy.) Received from Mr. Lewyn the 3d March, 1979-80.

Note: The entire petition is found in the text (*verbatim*) copied from the photo of the record. Photos, reduced in size, of the original are included. Note differences in the spelling of the petitioners' names.

Be206. Austin, J. O., **The Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island**, Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1969.

Be207. Opdyke, Charles Wilson, **The op Dyck Genealogy**, 1889.

Be208. Exeter, Land Evidence, Book 4, page 210; year of 1794; this record is also on Microfilm Reel 0932343, GSL, SLC, UT.

Know all men by these presents that **I Caleb Bently of West greenwich in the County Kent and State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations Yeoman** for and in Consideration of the Sum of one Hundred and fifty good Silver milled Dollars to me in hand Before the Ensealing and Delivery hereof well and truly paid by **Benjamin Bently Jr. of Exeter in the County of Washington and State abovesaid** do By these presents Remise Release and forever quit Claim unto him the said **Benjamin Bently Jr** his heirs and Assigns forever all the Right title Intrest property Claim Challenge or Demand I now have had or ever might or could have (?) in or unto **one Certain tract or Lot of Land with one Dwelling house** thereon Situate Lying and Being **in the Township of Exeter** afores'd Containing By Estimation **Eighteen acres** be the Same more or Less and is Bounded Northerly and Easterly on Highways Southerly on Land Belonging to the **Heirs of Robert Reynolds Deceased** Westerly on land of **Robert Reynolds** in part and partly on Land of **Benjamin Green** or however otherwise the Same may be Bounded Limitted or Described **it is all that Lot of Land and Buildings formerly Owned By my Honoured Grandfather Thomas Bentley Deceast a Right to Which Desended to me from my s'd Grandfather in and By his Last Will and Testament**[1] **To have and to Hold the s'd Granted And quit claimed premises** with the appurtenances thereof unto him the Said **Benjamin Bently Jr** his Heirs and assigns forever to his and their only proper use Benefit and Behoof forever and I the Said **Caleb Bently**

[1] See **Will** (Be200.) and see Land Evidence (Be65A.).

form my Self my heirs Executors and Administrators do by these presents Remise (?) Release and forever Quit claim unto him the Said **Benjamin Bently Jr** his Heirs and assigns forever All the Right title Interest property Claim or Demand property Claim or Demand of in or unto the above Described Lands and premises by Virtue of the above Resited Will or By any Otherwise and means Whatever **and Leaeh Bently wife of the said Caleb Bently doth** By these presents and for the Consideration aboves'd freely and willingly give yeild up And Surrender all her Right of Dower and power of thirds of in and unto the aforesaid Described Land and premises unto him the said **Benjamin Bently Jr** his heirs and assigns forever in Witness whereof we have hereunto **Let our hands and Seals this Twentieth day of January AD 1794 and** in the Eighteen year of Independance Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presents of

Russell Johnson — **Caleb Bently** (Seal)
Benja. Johnson — **Leaeh Bently** (Seal)
Recorded April 22, 1794
Stephen Reynolds, Town Clerk

Be209. New England Historical and Genealogical Record, 22:443. Baptisms in Milton, MA, by Rev. Peter Thacher.

April 12, 1691: William, Mary and Hannah Bentlet, grandchildren to Bro. R. Haughton.

Note: "Bentlet" is spelled "Bentley" in the index to volume 22.

This searcher suspects **no** genealogical relationship between these Bentleys and the Rhode Island Bentleys (*i.e.*, no easily discernible one anyway). Thanks to searcher Ed. M. Bentley of Seattle for this reference (see Be210.).

Be210. New England Marriage Records prior to 1700, located in The New England Historic Genealogical Society Library, Boston; Records were compiled by Clarence Almon Torrey (1869—1962). The Society Library was presented a xerox copy through the generosity of Colonel Le Baron C. Colt. Parts are illegible.

Bentley

(1) "Richard Bentley and Margaret, b 1687."
"**Charlestown 79**"
Dv.1:167(?)

(2) "William Bently and Mary Houghton, Jan. 20, 1675"

"**Dorchester V.R. 23**"
Houghton 93
R. Wheeler 78
Milton ch rec[1]
Not in Suffolk Deeds
Reg. 53.443

[1] See Be209.

(3) "William Bentley and Sarah" [Leithfield] "abt. 1676/80?"
—1720 —1720+
"**Kingstown R. I.**"
Stonington CT 233
Austin's Gen. Dict. 19, 235
Bently 5

Searcher's comments: (1) no proof of genealogical bond between Richard and William; (2) Mary's husband was **not** William Bently of RI (other sources); (3) Sarah's surname(s) has **not** been determined (no proof).

Be211. Arnold, J. N., **Vital Record of Rhode Island**, Vol. 5, "North Kingstown," p. 9: Jane Bentley **(Be:Fa.)** m 1.6.1700, NK, to John "Weightman" (Wightman).

Be212. Rhode Island, Exeter, **Council and Probate Book** 1:75-7. The Will of **John Wightman**, remarried-widower of **Jane Bentley** (Be:Fa.), dtr of **WILLIAM BENTLEY** of Kings Towne, RI Colony,[1] and **mother of John Wightman's children**.[2] Will copy received 7.11.1978, from Mrs. Blanche Albro, Coventry, RI, Searcher.

Jane Bentley (Be:Fa.) had by **John Wightman** the children named in John's Will written **12.3.1746, Exeter**, then designated in County of Kings County in the Colony of Rhode Island . . . In the order of their appearance are the names of the persons mentioned in the Will. The Will was proved 5.8.1750.

Class.	**Identification**
	1. **John Wightman**, Yeoman, of Exeter, leaving the Will written 12.3.1746, proved 5.8.1750.
	2. **"Vertue** my True and Loveing **Wife** all House goods and Utentialls **That She Brought to me in marrage** . . . unto my Loveing Wife my Great **Bible** and if . . ."
	". . . each of my loving Children
Be:FaC.	3. **"John,**
Be:FaD.	4. **"James, and**
Be:FaG.	5. **"Val(l)entine my three Sons and**
Be:Fab.	6. **"Sarah Whitford the wife of Joseph Whitford and**
Be:Fae.	7. **"Jane Spink the Wife of Benjamin Spink and**
Be:Faf.	8. **"Mary Boone ye wife of** (Sam'll --legibility?) **Boone Jun'r and**
Be:Fah.	9. **"Deborah Records the wife of Jno. Records to Each of my Said Children . . ."**

[1] Be201.
[2] Be217.

Be:Faaa. 10. ". . . unto **my Grand Daughter Lidia Willcox the wife of Abraham Willcox . . . "**

11. **Nich's Gardner, Witness.**
12. **Tho's Phillips, Witness.**
13. **Patience Phillips, Witness, deceased** before May 8, 1750.
14. **David Sprague, Town Councill Clerk.**

Be213. Op. cit., Arnold, J. N., Vol. 5, "North Kingstown," p. 108, "Weightman," John and Jane, births of their CH (present numerical-dating).

Weightman, Alice, "of John and Jane," b 10.26.(1702).
Weightman, Sarah, b 1.23.(1704),
Weightman, John, b 3.11.----.
Weightman, James, b 2.17.----.
Weightman, Jean, b M-- 20, ----.
Weightman, ----, b --- 31, ----.
Weightman, ----, b --.--.----.

Note: the reason for not reporting the original town record book and page numbers is that they are missing, not having survived two fires. We are fortunate to have the above information that partially survived.

Be214. *Ibid.*, Vol. 1, "East Greenwich," p. 155 (1:1).

Be215. *Ibid.*, Vol. 5, "North Kingstown," p 110: "Whitman, John, (b) April 16, ---. Whitman, -----, daughter of above John, (b) Oct. 26, 1702." Page numbers were probably fire-and-smoke damaged beyond recognition.

Be216. *Ibid.*, Vol. 1, "East Greenwich," p. 72 (1:11).

Be217. *Ibid.*, Vol. 5, "North Kingstown," p. 26, "Harrington, Job" (m).

Be218. *Ibid.*, "North Kingstown," p. 51, "Whitford, ----."

Be219. *Ibid.*, "North Kingstown," p. 50, "Weightman."

Be220. *Ibid.*, "North Kingstown," p. 10, "Boone."

Be221. *Ibid.*, "North Kingstown," p. 38, "Reynolds."

Be222. *Ibid.*, Vol. 5, "Exeter," p. 16, "Harrington, Lydia, and Abraham Wilcox" (1:237).

Be223. *Ibid.*,"Exeter," p. 63, "Wilcox, John, of Abraham and Lydia," and "Wilcox, Job, of Abraham and Lydia" (both 1:199).

Be224. *Ibid.*, "Exeter," p. 35, m of John Wilcox (1:153) and Job Wilcox (3:203).

Be225. *Ibid.*, "Exeter," p. 63, CH of John Wilcox and Mary (3:24) and CH of Job Wilcox and Mary (3:203).

Be226. *Ibid.*, "Exeter," p. 36, m of Asa Wilcox, Job's son (3:117) and m of Harrington Wilcox, Capt. Job's son (3:209).

Be227. *Ibid.*,"Exeter," p. 14, m of Esther Wilcox and Leonard Ensworth (3:148).

Be228. *Ibid.*, "Exeter," p. 44, b of the CH of "Learnard" Ensworth and Esther (3:168), for Betty, Esther, Joseph, and Job Wilcox Ensworth.

Be229. *Ibid.*, "North Kingstown," p. 44, "Spink."

Be230. *Ibid.*, Vol. 1, "West Greenwich," p. 31 (1:124).

Be231. *Ibid.*, "West Greenwich," p. 47 (1:132).

Be232. *Ibid.*, "West Greenwich," p. 47 (2:21).

Be233. *Ibid.*, "West Greenwich," p. 35 (1:149).

Be234. *Ibid.*, "West Greenwich," p. 23 (2:109).

Be235. *Ibid.*, "West Greenwich," p. 47 (2:86).

Be236. *Ibid.*, "West Greenwich," p. 47 (2:158).

Be237. *Ibid.*, "West Greenwich," p. 47 (2:102).

Be238. *Ibid.*, "West Greenwich," pp. 94-5 (1:53).

Be239. *Ibid.*, "West Greenwich," p. (**no** record ? for), marriage of Alice Spink to James Gardner.

Be240. Secondary source, from the file of M. Kim Gardner of Yuma, AZ (1978).

Be241. Rhode Island Land Evidences, Volume I, 1648-1696, Abstracts, Baltimore: Genealogical Pub. Co., 1970 reprint, Rhode Island Historical Society; p. 99 (ref. 134-5).

Be242. "Vital Records of Tyringham and Lee, Berkshire Co., MA" (see Be240).

Be243. "L.D.S. Archive Records, according to" (see Be240.).

Be244.

Be245. Exeter, Book 1, "Town Meetings, Births, Marriages, Death and Earmarks, 1742—1818," list in back of that book.

Freemen

Benj. Bentley	Apr. 17, 1745
Thomas Bentley	Dec. 3, 1745
Tillinghast Bentley	Aug. 30, 1757
Caleb Bentley	Apr. 15, 1767
Benj. Bentley, Jr.	Feb. 7, 1785
Samuel Warner Bentley	Apr. 21, 1813

Be246. West Greenwich Town Meeting Records. Extracts were sent to this searcher from Mrs. Blanche Albro, Coventry, RI, May 1, 1979.

(1) "William G. Bentley," August 28, 1827, was made a freeman in West Greenwich, as "eldest son."

Be247. West Greenwich, Land Evidence Book **1:39.** Caleb Bentley (see Be41C.).

In Consideration of Four Hundred Spanish Milled dollars in Hand paid before the Signing and Sealing hereof by **Caleb Bently of Exeter in the County of Kings County Taylor I Lodowick Updike** of the County aforesaid do Bargain Sell Convey and Make over all My Right Title etc to a Certain Tract of Land Lying in the Town of **West Greenwich** in the County of Kent and State of Rhode Island etc of about **Forty four acres** be the Same more or Less with the house Barn etc Standing thereon it being a Lot of Land I formely Bought of **Ebenezer Brown of Northkingtown** to the deed of which I refer for Bounds To Have and to Hold the Same in as full and complete a Manner as the Same is Conveyed to me by the Said **Ebenezer Brown** to him the Said **Caleb Bently** and to his Heirs and Assigns forever against the Lawful Claims of me my Heirs Executors Administrators and Assigns forever and **Abigail** the wife of the Said **Lodowick Updike** Quits all Right of thirds as Witness our Hands this **26 Day of March AD 1781.**

in Presence of
Witness **Peleg Briggs**
Frances Briggs
Geo. Thomas

Lodowick Updike (Seal)
Abigail Updike (Seal)

Recorded March 10th 1788
By Geo. Wait, T. Clk

Washington at North Kingstown on the **20th day of July AD 1786** Personally appeared **Mr Lodowick Updike** and **Abigail** his wife and did Severally acknowledge this Instrument to be their free and Voluntary act and Deed with their hands and Seals there unto affixed Before **Geo. Thomas** Just. Peace.

Be248. West Greenwich Land Evidence, Book **1:349. Caleb Bentley.**

Pardon Tillinghast of West Greenwich in the County of Kent and State of Rhode Island, Yeoman, sold to **Caleb Bently** of West Greenwich, yeoman,

one Certain Tract or parcel of Land Situate lying partly in Exeter in County of Washington and partly in West Greenwich in the State afores'd Containing twenty acres and fifty Eight Rods no more nor less and is Butted and bounded as followeth (*Viz.*) begining at a Highway at a Stake and heap of Stones Called the Natty Corner and Run Easterly by **Samuel Spencer's** Land forty Rods and from thence Northwesterly by the granters Land to **Thomas Albro's** Southwest Corner to a White oak tree and from thence North by **Albro's** Land to the Highway and from thence Westerly by the Highway to a Stake and heap of Stones and from thence Southerly by the Highway to first Mentioned Bounds.

Signed, sealed, and delivered on February 4, 1795 and in the 19th year of the Independence of America.

Witnesses: **Pardon Tillinghast** (Seal)
Levi Johnson
Benj'n Johnson
Recorded 4.30.1795

Be249. West Greenwich **Land Evidence**, Book 2:361-2. Caleb Bentley, Yeoman, bought 16 square rods in West Greenwich, RI, 4.29.1799, from Amon Reynolds and Simon Reynolds.

Amon Reynolds and Simon Reynolds of West Greenwich in the County of Kent and State of Rhode Island, Yeomen, were grantors of land bought by **Caleb Bentley of West Greenwich**, Yeoman, on **April 29, 1799** (recorded May 24, 1799). The description of the land: one Certain Tract of Land Containing by estimation **Sixteen Square Rods** be the same more or Less Lying and being in **T. West Greenwich** and is Buted and Bounded as followeth Begining at a Certain Plumb Tree with a heap of Stones about it being the Northerly Corner and Runing from thereto a Certain Rock in the --(?)-- of the wall adjoining the Highway from thence Westerly on the Highway to the **Division Line between S'd Amon Reynolds and Simon Reynolds and Caleb Bently** from thence to the first Mentioned Bounds to have and to hold the s'd Bargained Premises with all the privileges . . .

Witnesses: **Clarke Green** **Amon Reynolds** (Seal)
Gideon Brown **Simon Reynolds** (Seal)
(his X mark) **Elizabeth Reynolds** (Seal)
(her X mark)

Clarke Green -- Just. Peace

Be250. West Greenwich, RI, Land Evidence, Book 8:242,3,4,5; dated January 31, 1829 (written) and February 2, 1829 (recorded). Ident.: William Bentley, Caleb's son, and William's second wife Anna. **The location and size of the Bentley-family Cemetery is given (see details in Be41C.).** This William Bentley (**Be:FDDAC.**) of West Greenwich, RI, is the same William Bentley who settled in Markham Twp., York Co., Ontario, Canada, in 1801, returned later to RI, and returned to Markham in 1829. Spencer Bentley (**Be:FDDAH.**), William's brother, was laid to rest in this cemetery (see Be68.).

Be251. Arnold, J. N., **Vital Record of Rhode Island**, Vol. 1, "East Greenwich," p. 9 (3:163); "William Bentley of North Kingstown, son of Thomas, and Elizabeth Tillinghast of East Greenwich, daughter of Joseph, (were) married by John Jenkins, Justice, (on) March 1, 1732." **Ident.:** William Bentley, **Be:FDC.**

Be252. Arnold, J. N., **Vital Record of Rhode Island**, Vol. 5, "North Kingstown," p. 57 (no book no. or p. given for record due to fire damage); "Bentley, Tillinghast, of William and Eliza, (was born on) June 2, 1735." **Ident.:** William Bentley, **Be:FDC.**, and son Tillinghast.

Be253. Exeter, Book OD6:146, 147. Sale of one acre by William Bentl(e)y to Benjamin Bentl(e)y, Jr., on Dec. 5, 1751.

To all People to Whome these presents shall Come **William Bently of Exeter** in the County of Kings County In the Colony of Rhode Island and providence plantations in Newengland and **yeaman** Sends Greetings Know ye that the Said **William Bently** for and in Consideration of the Sum of Thirty pounds Corrant mony on New England to me in hand Before the Ensealing here of Well and Truly paid by **Benjamin Bently Jun'r of the Town County and Colony above said yeaman** The Receipt whereof I do here by Acknowledge and my Self Therewith fully Satisfied Contented and paid and Thereof and There of and of every part and parcell There of Do Exonerate Acquitt and Discharge him the **Said Benjamin Bently** his heirs Executors and Administrators forever by these presents have Given granted, Bargained Sold Aliened Enfeoffed Convey and Confirmed, and by these presents do freely fully and Absolutly, give grant Bargain, Sell Aliene Enfeoffe, Convey and Conform Unto him the Said **Benjamin Bently Jun** his heirs and Assigns forever One Ceartian Tract of Lott of Land Setuate Lying and Being in **Exeter** of one Said and Contains by Estimation **one Acre** more or Less and is **bounded Northerly on land of Said Benjamin Bently Easterly on Land of Benjamin Willcox Southerly and westerly on a highway** To Have and To Hold the Said granted and Bargained premises With all the Appurtances previleges and Commodities to the Same Belonging or in any wise Appourtaining to him the Said **Benjamin Bently** his heirs and Assigns forever. To his and their only promer use Benifitt and Behoof forever and of the Said **William Bently** for my Self my heirs Executors and Administrators do Covenant promise and grant to and with the Said **Benjamin Bently** his heirs and Assigns That at and Before the Ensealing here of I am the True Sole and Lawfull owner of the above Bargained premises and am Lawful-
146 ly Seized and possessed of the same in my own proper Right as a
147 good perfect and Absolute Estate Estate of Inheratance in fee Simple and here in my Self good Right full power and Lawfull Authority to To grant Bargain Sell Convey and Confirm the Said bargained Premises In manner as above said, and that the Said **Benjamin Bently** his heirs and Assigns, Shall and may from time To time and at all times forever hereafter by force and Vertue of These presents Lawfully peaceably and Quietly Have hold Use occupy possess and Enjoy the Said Demised and Bargained premises with the appurtances free and Clear and freely and Clearly Acquitted Exonerated and Discharged of and from all and all manner of former or other Gifts grants Bargains Sales Leases, mortgages, wills, Entates, Joynten, Dowries, Judgements, Executions or Incumbrances of what Name or nature so ever that might In any measure or Degree . . . or make void this . . . Deed. Furthermore I the Said **William Bently** for my self my heirs Executors and Administrators Do Covenant and

Engage the above Demised premises to him the Said **Benjamin Bently** his heirs and Assigns against the Lawfull Claimes or Demands of any person or persons whatsoever forever to warrant Secure and Defend by these presents. In witness where of I have here unto Set my hand and Seal the **fifth Day of December and in the twenty fifth year of his majestyes Reign George the Second King of Great Brittian Annoque Domini 1751**

Signed Sealed and Delivered — **William Bently** (Seal)

In the presence of

W'm --?-- (Keais--?)

Benoni Hall

The above subscriber W'm Bently appeared and acknowledged the above Deed to be his act and deed the day above said before me

Benoni Hall Justice

Recorded December 10th A D 1751 by B. Hall T Clk

Identification: Benjamin Bentley, Jr. (son of Thomas and nephew of Benj., Sr), **Be:FDD.**

Be254. Exeter, Book OD6:319, 320; Sept. 2, 1754, Benjamin Bentl(e)y, Jr., **Be:FDD.**, and wife Sarah grant 2¼ acres in Exeter to Richard Waneman.

To all People to whome these presents Shall Come I **Benjamin Bently Jun of Exeter** in the County of Kings County In the Colony of Rhodeisland and providence plantations in Newengland etc yeaman Send Greeting Know ye that I the Said **Benjamin Bently Jun** for and in Consideration of the Sum of one hundred pounds Corrant money of Newengland old Tener to me in hand before the Enseailing here of well and truly paid by **Richard Waneman** of East Greenwich in the County of Kent and Colony of Rhode Island aforesaid Labourer the Receipt whereof I Do hereby acknowledge and my Self therewith fully Satisfied Contented and paid; and thereof and of every part and parcel Thereof do Exonerate acquit and Discharge him the Said Richard Waneman his heirs Executors and Administrators forever by these Presents Have given granted bargained Sold aliened e(n)feoffed Convayed and Confirmed and by these Presents Do freely fully and absolutely give grant bargain sell alien enfeoffe Convay and Confirm unto him the Said **Richard Waneman** his heirs and assigns forever One Ceartin Lott or peice of Land Setuate Lying and being in Exeter aforesaid and Contains **aboute two Acers and a quarter** be the Same more or Less and is bounded Southerly and westerly on a highway Northerly on a lott of Land Belonging to **Anthony Eldred** and Easterly on Land Belonging to **Benjamin Wilecox** Together with a Dweling house there on Standing To Have and to hold the Said granted and bargained premisses with all the appurtenances Privileges and Commodities to the Same belonging or in any wise appertaining to him the Said **Richard Weneman** his heirs and Assigns forever to him and there only proper use Benefit and

behoof forever and I the Said **Benjamin Bently** for my Self my heirs Executors and Administrators Do Covenant promise and grant to and with the Said **Richard Waneman** his heirs and Assigns that at and before the Sealing hereof I am the true Sole and Lawful owner of the above, bargained premisses and am Lawfully Seized and possessed of the Same in my own proper Right as a Good perfect and absolute Estate of Inheritance in fee simple and have in my Self good Right full power and Lawful Authority to grant bargain Sell Convey and Confirm the Said bargained premisses in manner as above said
319 and that the Said **Richard Waneman** his heirs and Assigns Shall and
320 may from time to time and All times forever hereafter by forse and virtue of these presents Lawfully peaceably and quietly have hold use occupy possese and Enjoy the Said Demised and bargained premisses with the Appurtenances free and Clear and freely and Clearly acquitted Exonerated and Discharged of and from all and all manner of former or other gifts Grants Bargains Sales Leasses Mortgages wills Entails Jointures Donvies Judgments Executions or Incumbrances of what name or Nature Soever that might in any measure or Degree obstruct or make void this present Deed Further more I the Said **Benjamin Bently** for my Self my heires Executors and administrators Do Covenant and Engage th above Demised premises to him the Said **Richard Waneman** his heirs and assigns against the Lawful Claimes or Demands of any person of persons whatsoever forever to warrant Secure and Defend by these presents and **Sarah Bently wife of the Said Benjamin Bently** Doth for the Consideration above Said freely and Clearly Convay and Confirm unto him the Said **Richard Waneman** all her Right of Dower and power of Thirds of in and unto the above Demised premices to him his heirs and assigns forever In witness Where of we have here unto Set our hands and Seals **the Second Day of September in the Twenty-eighth year of his majestyes Reign Gorge the Second King of Great Brittan AD 1754**

Signed Sealed and Delivered
In the presence of
John Langford
Benoni Hall

Benjamin (his X mark) **Bently Jun**

Sarah (her O mark) **Bently**

Recorded January the 14th AD 1755 by B Hall T Clark

acknowledged by the Subscribers **Benjamin and Sarah Bently** to be their act and Deed the Day above said before **Benoni Hall** Justice

Be255. Exeter, Land Evidence Book 4, page 10; class. of Benjamins as **Be:FDD.** and **Be:FDDE.**

To all People to Whom these presents Shall Greeting Know Ye that I **Benjamin Bentley of Exeter** in the County of Washington and State of Rhode Island **Yeoman** for the Consideration of fifty pounds

Lawfull money of this State Will and Truly Paid By **Benjamin Bentley Jur** of the Town County of State as above Discribed the Receipt Whereof I do Hereby acknowledge I am (f)ully Paid Satisfied and Contented . . . also for the Natural Love . . . **The Said Benjamin Bentley Ju as my Son** do Bargain Sell Convey and . . . unto this **Benjamin Bentley Jur** a Certain Lot or Tract of **land** . . . and Being **in Exeter** as above and Contains By Estimation **Twenty acres** the same more or Less and is Butted Bounded as . . . Deed as Described or otherwise By Will may Discribe to Be and Remain to him the **Benjamin Bentley Jur** With Every Priviledge and appurtenance thereunto Belonging or in any Wise appurtaining to Have and to Hold the above Bargained premises as an absolute of Inheritance in fee Simple to Be and Remain to him . . . to his Heirs and assigns forever Wherefore I **Benjamin Bentley** as Above s'd do for Ever acquit and Exonerate the above Bargained premises unto the Said **Benjamin Bentley Jur** and have freely and fully Given Granted Sold . . . Exonerated the above Bargained premises unto Him the s'd **Benjamin Bentley Jur** and to his heirs and assigns forever Furthermore I **Benjamin Bentley** as above said do Declare that at . . . untill the Ensealing of these presents I do Stand Lawfully possessed of the above said premises and have good Right full power . . . Lawfull authority to Dispose of the Same in the manner foregoing furthermore I **Benjamin Bentley** as above s'd do hereby Engage forever to Warrant to Secure. . . Defend the above Bargained premises to him the **Benjamin Bentley Jur** . . . to his heirs and assigns forever against my Self my heirs . . . against any person Claiming under me . . . also against the Lawfull Claimes of any other Person in Witness Whereof I have herunto Set my hand. . . affixed my Seal this **Eight Day of November . . . in the Year of Our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and Ninety one** . . . in the Sixteen Year of Our Independance
Signed Sealed . . . Delivered in the presents
. . . **Thomas Albro** **Benjamin (his X mark) Bentley** (seal)

Peleg Arnold

Recorded **December 17, 1791**

Washington . . . Personally appeared the Within Named **Benja' Bentley** . . . acknowledged the Within Instrument to be his Voluntary act . . . Deed hand . . . Seal Before me

Thos Albro
(signed)

. . . (illegible) . . . in **Bentley Ju** of **Benjamin Bentley** of the other part witteseth that the Said **Benj** . . . Doth Lease and Let unto the above s'd **Benjamin Bentley** a Certain Land that he Said **Benjamin Bentley** haith this day maid me a De. . . Being Butted or Bounded as By Said Deed Doth Disenter for him . . . occupy and Improve in Every Case and Respect as he Thinks Be. . . So long Time as he Doth Live the Rents (and/or) Profits is to Be under. . . that the Valuation for them I have Rec'd in the above s'd Except . . . **Benjamin Bentley** the Leesee to Pay all the Taxes Levied against the Said

Estate for the Term of this Lease and also the Said **Benjamin Bentley Leesee** is to pay the Said **Benjamin Bentley Jun Lesor** one Shilling a Year Which is to Be Paid on the **Twenty fifth day of March** successively to Be paid the first Year Rent on the **Twenty fifth Day of march A D 1793** and also at the Expiration of Every Year for That Time **untill his Death** furthermore I **Benjamin Bentley Ju** do Cause the above s'd Premises **after the Decease of Benjamin Bentley** to **Elisabeth Gardiner** to Whom the said **Benjamin Bentley** is Now Published of his Intended Wife for her widow hood after the Decease of this **Benjamin Bentley** With her Paying the Same Rents as the s'd **Benjamin Bentley** payeth and Payable at the Same Time in Every Year which agreement Both Parties have Set their hands and affixed their Seals this **Eight Day of November and in the Year of our Lord 1791 (and) in the Sixteenth year of American Independance**

Signed Sealed and Delivered In the Presents of
Thos. Albro
Peleg Arnold

Benjamin Bentley Jun (Seal)

Benjamin (his X marke) Bentley (Seal)

Elisabeth Gardiner (Seal)

Recorded December 17, 1791
Stephen Reynolds T Clk
(Stephen-?)

Be260. North Kingstown, Deed Book 4, fragment of page 113 (gleaned and recorded by M. L. Holman, Be46.).

Thomas Bentley of Kingstown, cordwainer, sold to **Benjamin Bentley**, of Kingstown, land in Kingstown adjoining to the dwelling and land of **William Bentley, February 17, 1718/19 ;** the document bears the "signatures" of **Thomas Bentley, his wife Elizabeth Bentley** (her X mark), and witnesses James Eldred and Samuel Eldred.

Ident.: THOMAS BENTLEY (**Anc. IX.97., Be:FD.**) and wife ELIZABETH (**anc. IX.98.**); Benjamin Bentley (**Be:FE.**), likely the brother of THOMAS; the father of these brothers, likely named above, was WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y (**anc. X.193., Be:F.**) of Kingstown, who died in 1720, leaving a **Will** therein naming his daughter and four sons. This Deed provides the evidence that THOMAS BENTLEY'S wife is alive and well on Feb. 17, 1718/19, and therefore must obviously be accepted as the mother of THOMAS BENTLEY'S five children: Jane, b 1707; Mary, b 1709; William, b 1710; Benjamin, b 1714; and Thomas Bentl(e)y, b 1717 (as per **Be.111.**).

Be261. North Kingstown, Deed Book 9, A104 (gleaned and recorded by M. L. Holman, Be46.) (pages damaged at time of fire).

Thomas Bentley sells a small piece of land to his son William: ". . . **my son William** . . . **Blacksmith**" . . . one small piece of land . . . North Kingstown . . . bounded on the South by land of the said **Thomas Bentley** . . . **and Mary** . . . **May 25, 1741** . . . recorded June 8.1741 . . . witnesses: **Benoni Hall** and **Clemment Raynolds** (his mark).

Ident.: THOMAS BENTL(E)Y (**anc. IX.97., Be:FD.**) and second wife Mary; William Bentley (**Be:FDC.**), son of THOMAS; the witness Clement Reynolds **likely** the brother-in-law of William Bentley and the son-in-law of THOMAS BENTLEY. Additional evidence for identification of **Clement Reynolds** includes (1) record of marriage on ---. 3. 1726, North Kingstown, between **Clement Reynolds** and **Jane Bentley**; m by **Benjamin Nichols**, Justice (Arnold, J.N., **Vi Rec of RI**, Vol. 5, "N. Kingstown," p. 38.); and (2) the birth recorded as "**Jane Bently** Was Born October ye 25 dy 1707" (Kingstown), daughter of THOMAS BENTL(E)Y and granddaughter of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y (see Be111.) (the same Jane?).

Be262. Exeter, RI, "Marriages" (J. N. Arnold's **Vi. Rec. of RI**; additional ref.); book and page:

1:182 **Hannah Bentley**, of Exeter, dtr of **James Bentley**, m 7.15.1753. Exeter, to **Robert Reynolds**, son of **Joseph Reynolds**, of West Greenwich; by Benoni Hall, Justice.
1:185 **Tillinghast Bentley**, of Exeter, m 5.29.1755, Exeter, to **Sarah Thomas**, "now of South Kingstown;" by Elder Samuel Albro.
1:155 **Benjamin Bentley** m 8.23.1761, Exeter, to **Hannah Bates;** by Elder Samuel Albro.
3:11 **Anna Bentley**, of South Kingstown, m 1.12.1766, Exeter, **James Coldgrove**, of Exeter; by Daniel Sunderland, Justice.
3:60 **Benjamin Bentley, Jr., m 8.24.1780, Exeter, Ruth Fowler**; by Elder James Weightman.
3:34 **Gideon Bentley, of Exeter, m 4.5.1781, Exeter, Elizabeth Neagers (Negus), of North Kingstown**; by Elder James Weightman.
3:77 **Lucy Bentley** m 12.22.1785, Exeter, to **Benjamin Reynolds**, of **Clement**; by George Pierce, Justice.
3:110 **Nathaniel Bentley**, of Exeter, m 12.24.1789, to **Sarah Card**, of Richmond; by Elder Henry Joslin.

Be265. Exeter Town Council Record Books, Town Clerk's Office.

The water-damaged books had been in a fire and the writing on them is very difficult to discern.

Be266. (also **Sp20.**) Exeter, RI, OD Book 6, pages 319 and 320.

The old deed is dated September 2, 1754, "in the Twenty eighth Year of his majestyes Reign Gorge the Second King Brittan" and contains the names of **"Benjamin Bently, Jun, of Exeter"** and **"Sarah Bently wife of the Said Benjamin Bently."** Other persons named are recipient **"Richard Waneman,"** A "Labourer" of East Greenwich; the Town Clerk "Benoni Hall;" a witness "John Langford;" and others living on adjacent property, namely "Benjamin Wilecox" on the east and "Anthony Eldred" on the north side—the lot of two and one-half acres in Exeter bounded on the south and west by a highway. The Bentl(e)ys' "act and Deed" was recorded on January 14, 1755, by the Exeter Town Clerk B. Hall, in the "County of Kings County in the colony of Rhodeisland and Providence Plantations in Newjngland."

Ident.: BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y ("Junior") **(Be:FDD.) (anc. VIII.49.);** SARAH (SHIPPEE) BENTL(E)Y **(anc. VIII.50.)**; "Richard Waneman," likely the "Richard Wainman" — husband of Avis and father of three children born in Exeter, the second on **Jan. 9, 1755** (Exeter, Births Book 1:226).

Be267. (also **Sp18.**) East Greenwich, Probate Book 1, pages 249-253. **Will and Inventory** for **SAMUEL SHIPPY**, of East Greenwich in the County of Providence. "Samuel Shippy" being very weak in body but of sound and disposing mind . . . named the following on July 5, 1740, in his **Will**:

"my loving wife"	Ann Shippy,
"my son"	Stephen Shippy,
"my son"	Thomas Shippy,
"my two daughters"	Elizabeth and Ann Shippy,
"my grandson"	Palmer Shippy (ten pounds to be paid by executor to "my Son Thomas Shippy and by him" . . .),
"my four daughters"	Mary Briggs, Margret Tarbox, **Sarah Bentley**, and Deleverance Briggs.

Named in SAMUEL SHIPPY'S **Inventory**, particularly, was:

"Second Son of the
Said Samuel Shippy," Thomas Shippy.

The **Will** was approved before the Town Council of East Greenwich on September 27, 1740. The Inventory of the Goods, etc., of SAMUEL SHIPPY "Late of East Greenwich in the County of Providence," was dated August 22, 1740.

Ident. and Class.: "Sarah Bentley" (above) is unmistakably SARAH SHIPPEE (or SHIPPY) **(Anc. VIII.50.)**, wife of BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y **(Anc. VIII.49., Be:FDD.)** A birth record provides corroborating evidence for "SARAH BENTLEY" in 1740, wife of BENJAMIN and the mother of Caleb, b August 25, 1739, Exeter (RI) (Exeter, Births Book 1:201.). SARAH'S parents were SAMUEL SHIPPEE ("SHIPPY") **(Anc. IX.99.)** and ANN **(Anc. IX.100.)**. "BENJAMIN BENTLY, JUN. of Exeter, and SARAH BENTLY" were named as man and wife in an Old Deed Book, Exeter **(Be266.)**.

Be268. East Greenwich, Probate Book 2, page 28.

May 19, 1752, is the date that the inventory was taken in East Greenwich: "**Anne Shippey** Late of East Greenwich in ye County of Kent, Widow,

Dec'd." The inventory included among other items "1 Bushel of Ry that **Thomas Shippey** fetched from Francis Briggs."

Recording date was May 30, 1752, for **ANNE SHIPPEY (SHIPPEE)** of East Greenwich in Kent Co., Colony of RI and Prov. Planta., deceased intestate. The Town Council appointed **Stephen Shippee** of East Greenwich, Yeoman, and "**Eldest Son of** the S'd **Anne Shippey** whole and Sole Administrator . . ."

Ident. and Class.: ANN (--------) SHIPPEE (Anc. IX. 100.), widow of **SAMUEL SHIPPEE** (Anc. IX.99.) (see Be267.), was the mother of **Stephen Shippee**, her eldest-living son. ANN was undoubtedly also the mother of **"Thomas Shippey"** named in the inventory although he was **not** identified as her "son."See also **Sp11.**

Be269. East Greenwich, RI, Births and Marriages, Book 1, page 3A: "Samuel Shippee And Ann Le--feld was Lawfully maried in this town the 29th day of December in the yeare 1702."

The frequently quoted J.O. Austin interpreted the name in the original record as "Leithfield," but in the original record the "**f**" is followed by an "**e**" written in the penmanship of that time (the **e**'s then looked like some of our **o**'s of today). Identity of her father was **not** made by Austin.

Some researchers believe that the keys to ANN'S ancestry repose in the Dorchester, MA, records. The surname on the marriage record above appears to have been a spelling corruption of "LITCHFIELD." Corroboration was later made that her father's spelling was "**LICHFIELD.**"

Ident. and Class.: SAMUEL SHIPPEE (**Anc. IX.99.**) and ANN "LE--FELD" (probably LITCHFIELD?) (**Anc. IX.100.**).

Be270. Correspondence of 9.4.1978, from Mrs. Blanche W. Albro, Weaver Hill Road, R.F.D., Coventry, RI 02816 (in its entirety).

Dear Mr. Stewart,

A. Have received your last letter, received it Sat., so will go to Exeter tomorrow and see what more information I can find, but thought I'd write this for now, so I can get everything together as soon as possible; have received this information from a friend. Might fit in with some of your families.

B. "There's an old cem. in East Greenwich, next to the Glenwood Cemetery, has 16 stones with inscriptions. The two Bentley stones are:

Christop(h)er Bentley, died 7-4-1818, Age 64.

Lydia Bentley, widow of **Capt. Christop(h)er** and
dau of **David Arnold** of Prov.
11-15-1771 — 8.11. 1862.

Probably the Christop(h)er Bentley of Wm. and Mary, born in E. Greenwich, March 11, 1754 (date from Arnold's Vital records) — B.W.A.[1]

C. I don't know of any Bentley Cem., west side of Old Post road or "Ancient Pequot Path." I believe there are some in Exeter; the trouble is half of them are way back in the woods and have been long forgotten until someone stumbles onto them. Also before the early 1800's, most graves were marked with field stones with no inscriptions. To understand the situation you would probably have to live here; back then these towns were just big farms. As the years went by, the people left the farms to go where the mills were being built, etc. So the farms went back to woodland. It's only the last 15 or 20 years that these small towns are beginning to be built up again, with homes. But I keep asking some of the older people I know in Exeter if they know where these cemeteries are. Haven't had any luck yet.

D. Tuesday:

Received your second letter today and have been to Exeter Town Hall so will try to get some of the answers and information to you.

First: List of Towns I got your records from.
(1) Everything marked East Greenwich from East Greenwich Town House, 111 Peirce Street, East Greenwich, RI 02818.
(2) Coventry records from Coventry Town House, 75 Main St. Coventry, RI 02816.
(3) Records marked North Kingston, North Kingston Town Hall, 80 Boston Neck Rd., North Kingston, RI 02852.
(4) Marked "Exeter," Exeter Town Hall, Route 102, R.F.D., West Greenwich, RI 02816.

E. Checked the marriage and death record of Whitman W. Lillibridge. He should be son of **John** on both records—also sent wrong date; it is **1823**. Mercy Whitman, dau of **James**. Minister Gershom Palmer.

F. I don't know where you could get a copy of the **Straight Genealogy**. I think my friend has her own, but did say that was all that was in it about Wightman family.

G. The evidence about Benj. Bentley's wife Sarah dying of smallpox is in the council records I sent. That is the only evidence and, like you, I wish it gave her name and the child's name. I went through those council records again today to see if there was anything else; there isn't.

Another reason for thinking it is **Benj. with wife Sarah:** on page that they order **Joseph Bentley "to stop up the highway," it says, "passes the house where his father is sick."**

[1]Christopher Bentl(e)y (**Be:FEEA.**), son of William Bentl(e)y and Mercy Sweet (see Be40.B.).

H. I read into the March meetings and nothing else is given, only **10 Mar. 1761:** "Sum of 112L 10s allowed Ebenezer Cahoon for nursing **Benj. Bentley, a soldier, 25 days at 4L 10s per day in his sickness with small pox.**"

I. Then in 1777, Council records do **not** say Benj. Bentley had smallpox. Bentley was **ordered** to take care of **Silas Bates**. I've been told it was the people who had already had the smallpox that was ordered to take care of the sick ones.

J. 27 Jan. 1777: Benj. Bentley's wife Hannah Bentley and **her** grandchild removed from house. Maybe this is not Benj's grandchild — in those days everything belonged to the husband or father — so why didn't it say **his** grandchild.

K. I checked the original of that marriage of Benj. and Hannah Bates Aug 23, 1761 (Bk 1, 155), hoping it would say if she was a widow or who(m) (she was) the dau of.

> These lines may certifie that all persons whoever it may or shall Concern that **Benj. Bentley** and **Hannah Bates** both of Exeter are lawfully married on this 23rd day of Aug. A.D., by me. **Samuel Albro**, Elder.

L. So then I checked the Probate records to see if a "Bates" had left a will, naming Hannah as wife, or even an inventory of a personal estate. Nothing. Maybe the Silas Bates who was at their home (Benj. Bentley and wife Hannah) could have been her son. See, I was trying to be a detective.

M. Checked Probate Book 6, 1794—1802, nothing about Benj. Bentley.

N. Checked Probate Book 5, 1789 (?)—1794, nothing about Benj. Bentley.

O. Back to Benj. Bentley whose wife and child died with smallpox, just re-read your letter saying there must be more information and that you had read "that Benj. and Sarah had a seventh child thought to have been a daughter" but not recorded in Exeter records. That is what is so aggravating about this research — in some of those old records you can almost see that the births of a whole family were recorded at the same time, be on same page, same pen and penmanship and if any had died they didn't bother to have those recorded. Also, deaths they very seldom recorded — for one thing I think it must have been a day's job for them to travel way across these towns by either oxen or horse, to get to the town's clerk's office which was held in his home — and if he wasn't home that day — just to bad.

I went through the index of the Land Evidence Books for Bentleys — to see what I could find that would help; I'll send the list, not listing the ones I've sent before.

P. O.D. Book 4, p. 175: **Wm Bentley** of Exeter to **Benj. Bentley** (copied today and sending).

Q. Book 4, p. 55: **Benj. Bentley Jr.** of Exeter, Yeoman, sold to **Daniel Chase** about 110 square rods as a highway, and for a highway for him and all inhabitants of town of Exeter June 1792 (signed by) **Benj. Bentley Jr. and wife Ruth.**

R. Book 5, p. 300: **Benj. Bentley** of Exeter to **Joseph Reynolds** of Exeter 6 square rods from Southeast corner of **Joseph Reynolds'** house, East on **Benj. Bentley's**, West on said **Reynolds'** making a small gore of land to make **Joseph Reynolds** a straight line (signed by)
Benj. Bentley and wife Ruth. Nov. 20, 1800.

S. Book 5, p. 371: **Benj. Bentley** of Exeter to **Benj. Lawton Jr.** of N. Kingstown — 28A, S. (of) **Benj. Lawton**, **Olive Arnold** and **Phillip Tillinghast**, westerly on driftway belonging to **Daniel Chase, etc.**; **Benj. Bentley** and **wife Ruth**. Apr. 16, 1801.

Note (in red ink): This must be the **Benj. Bentley Jr.** who married **Ruth Fowler**, 1780.

T. Book 4, p. 59: **Wm. Bentley** of Exeter to **John Albro**, land with dwelling house; 35 A; E., highway; S., land of **Wm Albro**; N., **John Maquire**, SW., heap of stones. June 1792. (signed by) **Wm Bentley** (no wife signed)

U. Book 4, p. 100: **Gould Bentley** of East Town, Washington County, NY, farmer, to **brother Ezekiel Bentley** of South Kingstown, 1/7 part of 120 A, from **my father Caleb Bentley, deceased.** 7 --- 1792, recorded 20 June 1792.
(signed by) **Gould Bentley** and **wife Hannah.**

V. Book 4, p. 101: **Thomas Bentley** of Argyle, County of Washington, NY, to **brother Ezekiel** of S. Kingstown, 1/7 part of 120 A. from **father Caleb Bentley, deceased.** recorded Feb. 23, 1793 (signed) **Thomas Bentley** and **wife Abigail.**

W. Book 4, p. 102: **Ezekiel Bentley** (later ident. as **Be:FBDO.**) sells the above shares to Eber Sherman Jr. of Exeter. Recorded Feb 23, 1793
(signed) **Ezekiel** and **wife Lettis** (?)

X. Book 4, p. 150: **Ezekiel (Ebenezer?) (?)** Bentley sells land to Norman Bentley (different description), recorded Aug. 1793
(signed) **Ebenezer** and wife Elydia. (?)

Y. Book 4, p. 120: **Caleb Bentley** of West Greenwich to **Benj. Bentley Jr.** of Exeter (copied and sending).

Z. I checked O.D. Books 1, 2, and 3; nothing — no Bentleys in index, at least not as Grantor(s).

All of the ones about Gold, Thomas, Ezekiel and Norman, I know are children of the Caleb, whose **will** I sent, but gave you the names and locations to show some more Bentleys left Exeter and went to NY. No wonder they are such a hard family to find; even Ezekiel had moved to South Kingstown. Guess that's why I can't find any later births and deaths for them in Exeter and W. G..

I know where that property is in Exeter and have been to the cemeteries there — not a stone marked for Bentley, all Shermans or Browns.

AA. Wednesday:

Had copied the deeds you wanted, also duplicated the marriage of Isaac Bentley, son of Caleb of W. G., which I had sent before, but it wasn't clear — very dark this time, but can read better.

BB. Because you sent the name of Hannah Bentley, dau of Caleb of W. G. with a question mark after, I thought you meant you didn't know what happened to her, so I copied her (?) marriage record for you. **Note**: marriage of **Stephen Albro** at bottom of page. I think she must have died between the time her child was born and the time her husband married again; there are no records of her death.

CC. I don't know why Arnold's (**Vi. Rec. RI**) "Exeter's Births," Vol. 5, p. 40, made it sound as if Sarah, dau of Caleb and Leah Bentley, was born in E. Greenwich. Maybe he confused her with the Sarah born in E. Greenwich to Benj. Bentley and Barbara. All deeds we have seen about Caleb and Leah say Caleb of Exeter or Caleb of W. Greenwich. I also wondered if he meant that note "eldest born in E.G., others (born) in Exeter" for the children of Caleb and Martha. Guess we'll never know.

I hope this information will answer a few of your questions and sincerely wish I could find more answers . . .

Good Luck, **Blanche A.**

Be271. Parker, A.M., **Landmarks of Albany Co., NY, 1897, p 124.**

Be272. Correspondence and **Genesee Co., MI,** History, page ref's.

In August of 1978, this searcher received a letter from Mrs. John D. Bacon, 216 E. Reid Rd., Grand Blanc, MI (48439), with information regarding an unidentified and unclassified Bentley named "**Jacob Bentley**." Lydia (Bentley) Ellsworth had a brother named "Jacob," records for whom in later life we have been unable to locate. More evidence is necessary to identify "Jacob Bentley" of MI. Mrs. Bacon comments, "Jacob Bentley and the Ellsworths came to Genesee Co. at the same time. I don't know if they were related other than Lydia being married to William Ellsworth, but thought it interesting that both families came here also."

Mrs. Bacon quotes from the pages, indicated below, of **The History of Genesee Co., MI**, written by Franklin Ellis in 1879.

P. 227: In a Decoration Day ceremony observed in Fenton Twp, Genesee Co., MI, on May 30, 1878, one of the 25 soldiers named who "sleep their last sleep" in the Fenton cemeteries was a "**David Bentley, War of 1812.**"

P. 225: **S. B. Bentley**, one of the Fenton Guards, an independent militia company, organized 10.22.1877, Village of Fenton

P. 280: **Jacob Bentley**, Mundy Twp, Sec. 10, 80 acres; **Jacob Bentley of Ontario Co., NY.**

P. 291: Resident tax payers in 1844, include **Thomas E. Bentley** and **Josiah Bentley.**

Pp. 291-2: Of the 89 voters in the general election in Nov. 1840, no. 55 was **Jacob Bentley**, no. 88 was **Josiah Bentley**, and no. 89 was **Thomas E. Bentley.**

P. 84: One of the members of the 10th Infantry Gen. Co. from Mundy Twp was a "**Jacob Bentley**" who was discharged at the end of his service on 4.4.1865.

P. 256: School inspectors for the years of 1849 and 1851, respectively, were **Alvah Bentley** and **Jasper Bentley.**

P. 290: Jacob, who lived still farther E., settled a few days before Mr. Howland came, and Charles Wilcox came some time later and settled on the farm adjoining **Bentley's on the East.**

Please note:

This information is placed here for future reference. When more sufficient data becomes available conclusions, identifications, and classifications can be made.

Bentleys named above include David, S.B., Jacob, possibly another Jacob, Thomas E., Josiah, Alvah and Jasper.

Be273. Census Report of 1850, Michigan, Lapeer Co., Oregon; 384/768 (p); No. 957/965.

(1) William Bentley, 49 y, b NY ca 1800/1801, farmer (?)
(2) Hannah Bentley, 44 y, b RI ca 1805/6
(3) Daniel Bentley, 19 y, b RI ca 1830/1, laborer
(4) William Bentley, 17 y, b Upper Canada ca 1832/3
(5) John Bentley, 13 y, b Upper Canada ca 1836/7
(6) Calvin H. Bentley, 5 y, b RI ca 1844/5 (RI?) (MI?)
(7) Gilbert C. Bentley, 2 y, b MI ca 1847/8

Ident. and Class.: "William Bentley," incorrect age of 49 (1850), is "William Gardiner Bentley" according to James C. Bentley **(Be:FDDACEHCC.)**, *ie.* William Gard(i)ner Bentley **(Be:FDDACE.)**.

Be274. Census Report of 1860, MI, Lapeer Co., Oregon Twp, Lapeer P. O., (enum. 8.15.1860); Microfilm 0803549, GSL, SLC, UT; notes by this searcher 8.4.1978.

Oregon Twp. p. 270, Dwelling 2146 and Family 2009.
(1) Bentley, Wm G., 61 y, M, b RI, Farmer.
(2) Bentley, Harriet, 43 y, F, b NY.
(3) Bentley, Calvin H., 16 y, M, b MI, Laborer.
(4) Bentley, Gilbert B., 13 y, M, b MI.
(5) Bentley, William, 3 y, M, b MI.

(6) Bentley, Newel, 2 y, M, b MI.
(7) Bradshaw, Reuben, 19 y, M, b MI, Laborer.
(8) Bradshaw, Silas, 18 y, M, b MI.
(9) Bradshaw, Helen C., 12 y, F, b MI.
(10) Bradshaw, Alma, 11 y, F, b MI.

Continuation of report (1860) for Lapeer Co., MI:

Hadley Twp, p. 205, Family 1528, Dwelling 1631 (note: Dwell. 1632, unoccupied).
(1) Bentley, Alva, 58 y, M, b NY, Farmer.
(2) Bentley, Margaret, 55 y, F, b NY.
(3) Thompson, Andrew, 22 y, M, b NY, Painter.
(4) Thompson, Mary, 19 y, F, b NY.
(5) Thompson, Alva J., 1 y, M, b MI.

Hadley Twp, p (?), Family (?).
(1) Bentley, Jasper, 33 y, M, b NY, Carpenter.
(2) Bentley, Julia, 31, F, b NY.
(3) Bentley, Ada, 11, F, b MI.
(4) Bentley, Kate E., 9, F, b MI.
(5) Bentley, Ella, 8, F, b MI.

Burlingtown Twp, Family 108 (enum. 6.6.1860).
(1) Bentley, William, 35 y, M, b NY, Farmer.
(2) Bentley, Ellen, 19, F, b MI.

Ident. and Class.: "Wm G. Bentley" is "William Gardiner Bentley" according to James C. Bentley **(Be:FDDACEHCC.)**, *i.e.* William Gard(i)ner Bentley **(Be:FDDACE.)**.

"Alva Bentley" is "Alvin Bentley" **(Be:FDCDDF.)**.

Be275. Bentley James C., "A Genealogy of the Forbears of H. Roy Bentley of Lapeer, Michigan, 1600 to 1954," unpublished ms. James C. Bentley, RR 2, Box 18A, Gulf Breeze, FL 32561, was contacted **via** a query in **The Genealogical Helper** periodical. The query had been submitted by Marshall Kim Gardner of Yuma, AZ, who shared J. C. Bentley's response with this searcher in July of 1978. This searcher then phoned J.C.B. and in August received a copy of the ms. with an additional 12-page report of up-dated information of genealogical importance regarding his immediate family. In his letter James thoughtfully commented, "I leave it to you to edit the material as you wish in order to fit it into your format." James entitled the updated portion "Descendants of (Henry) Roy Bentley of Lapeer, MI, 1954 - 1978." His identification having been made from these sources, his classification is: **James Calvin Bentley, Be:FDDACEHCC.**

Be276. Obituary notice for Calvin H. Bentley **(Be:FDDACEH.)**, newspaper clipping in possession of grandson James C. Bentley.

Be277. Michigan **Census Report**, Lapeer County, 1880. Microfilm 0915317, Genealogical Soc. Lib., SLC, UT (rec. at L.B., CA, E Stake Br. Geneal. Lib., 1140 Ximeno Ave., L.B., CJCLDS, 10.11.1978).

"Town of Arcadia," enum. 6.1.1880:
(1) Bentley, Solon W., 35 years old.
(2) Bentley, Sarah L., 25 y. ("L."—?).
(3) Bentley, Frank T., 10 y.
(4) Bentley, Willis E., 11 y.
(5) Bentley, Eara (?) or Cara (?) E., 7 y.
(6) Bentley, Florence, 4 y.
(7) Bentley, Eda, 2 y.

"Attica Township," Lapeer Co.
(1) Bentley, William, 23 y.
(2) Bentley, Cordelia, 17 y.

"Burlington Township," Lapeer Co.
(1) Bently, Freeman, 23 y (or 27 y) (?).
(2) Bently, Martha, 18 y.
(3) Bently, William, 35 y.
(4) Bently, Ellen R., 39 y.
(5) Bently, Blanche, 17 y.

"Hadley Township," Lapeer Co.
(1) Bentley, Margaret, 76 y.

"Lapeer Township," Lapeer Co.
(1) Bentley, Adeline, 25 y.
(2) Bentley, Blanch, 6 y.
(3) Bentley, Sara, 4 y.
(4) Bentley, Ernest, 1 y.

"Mayfield Township," Lapeer Co.
(1) Bentley, Adelia, 25 y.
(2) Bentley, Ernest, 1 y.

"Oregon Township," Lapeer Co.
(1) Bentley, C. H., 35 y (male) — Class.: **Be:FDDACEH.**
(2) Bentley, Harriet, P., 29 y.
(3) Bentley, H. Ray, 3 y.
(4) Bentley, Blanche, 6 y.

"City of Lapeer, Fourth Ward," Lapeer Co., enum 6.1.1880.
(1) Bentley, Jasper, 52 y.
(2) Bentley, Julia, 50 y.

Be278. Michigan **Census Report**, Lapeer County, 1894. Microfilm 0915319, Geneal. Soc. Lib., SLC, UT (inter-library loan, 10.11.1978).[1]

[1] "Oregon Twp" of Lapeer Co. is **not** on this microfilm reel.

"Arcadia Township," enum. 6.4.1894.
(1) Bentley, Solon, 51, farmer, b MI; father and mother both b NY (line was crossed out) (had he died?) (enumerator's error?).
(2) Bentley, Serrah, 51, had 7 CH, 6 living; b MI, father and mother both b NY.
(3) Bentley, Frank I. (or J.—?), 27 y, son, single, b MI, farm laborer.
(4) Bentley, Willis, 26, son, single, b MI.
(5) Bentley, John, 13, son, single, b MI.

"Burlington Township," Lapeer Co.
(1) Bentley, Freeman, 40 y, b PA, both parents b NY, farmer, MI res 18 y and US res 40 y.
(2) Bentley, Martha, 28 y, mother of 2 CH—both living, b MI, both parents b Ontario, MI and US res 28 y.
(3) Bentley, Gracie, 13 y, dtr, single b MI, father b PA and mother b MI.
(4) Bentley, Frank, 4 y, son, b MI, father b PA and mother b MI.

"Burnside Township," Lapeer Co. (Bentley Family No. 1 of 2).
(1) Bentley, George B., farmer, 62 y, b Canada, res 22 y in MI and USA; **father b RI** and mother b Scotland.
(2) Bentley, Christina, 56 y, 1 CH living of 1 CH b; b Canada, "25" y (?) in MI and "20" y (?) in USA, parents both b Scotland.
(3) Bentley, Emma, 24 y, dtr, single, b MI, 24 y in MI and USA, parents b Canada.
(4) Bentley, Duncan, 17 y, son, b MI, parents b Canada; 17 y in MI and USA.

"Burnside Township," Lapeer Co. (Bentley Family No. 2 of 2) (enum. 6.18.1894).
(1) Bentley, Anson, 36 y, b Canada, parents b Canada, farmer, 24 y in MI and USA.
(2) Bentley, Grace, 29, 4 CH living of 4 CH b, b Canada; parents b Scotland; housewife, 15 y MI and USA.
(3) Bentley, Sarah E., 10 y, dtr, single, b MI, parents b Canada, 10 y in MI and USA.
(4) Bentley, George G., 8 y, son, b MI, parents b Canada, 8 y in MI and USA.
(5) Bentley, Gertrude G., 3 y, dtr, b MI; parents b Canada; 3 y in MI and USA.
(6) Bentley, Benjamin F., 1 y, son, b MI, parents b Canada; 1 y in MI and USA.

"Hadley Twp," Lapeer Co., enum. 6.2.1894 (Dwell. 11, Fam. 13).
(1) Bentley, Luther, 35 y, b NY, parents' b places "unknown," farm laborer, res 21 y MI and 35 y USA.
(2) Bentley, Jane M., wife, 28 y, 4 CH living of 5 CH b; b MI, parents both b NY, housewife, res 28 y MI and USA.

(3) Bentley, Charles R., son, 10 y, single, b MI, father b NY and mother b MI.
(4) Bentley, Sibie E., dtr, 8 y, b MI, father b NY and mother b MI.
(5) Bentley, George E., son, 6 y, b MI, father b NY and mother b MI.
(6) Bentley, Denis W., son, 1 y, b MI, father b NY, mother b MI.

"Imlay City," Lapeer Co., enum. 6.7.1894.
(1) Bentley, Lyman, 38 y, b Canada, res 13 y MI and USA, "Tinner," father and mother b **Nova Scotia**.
(2) Bentley, Frances, 34 y, 2 CH living of 2 CH born; b Canada; father b Ohio and mother b Canada; housewife; res 13 y MI and USA.
(3) Bentley, Dwight, 16 y, son, b Canada, father and mother b Canada; res 13 y MI and USA.
(4) Bentley, Roy, 14 y, son, b Canada, father and mother b Canada.

Be279. Correspondence with Mrs. David R. B. (Judith Anne Jamieson) Mitton, 149 Prince Arthur Ave., Chatham, Ontario, Canada in July and August 1978. Ident. and Class. of her husband D.R.B. Mitton **(BeFDDDEBFaCBA.)**. Contact was made through a query in the periodical pub. by the Ontario Genealogical Society (both members).

Be280. Indenture 609-GR, S.C.O., Chatham, ON; Farmer **Ira Bently** (signature) **(Be:FDDDEBC.)**, of Howard Twp, Kent Co., ON, 3.29.1875, sold patent rights obtained by him 11.13.1872, for "Bentley's Bean Harvester," "a certain new and useful Machine, for pulling or removing Beans from the ground," to William McLaren of Oxford Twp. Evidence sub. by Judy (Jamieson) Mitton, Chatham, ON.

Be281. The Passing Years, Centennial Year 1969 publication by Guilds United Church, Guilds, Kent Co., ON; "1872 Roll for S.S. No. 11. Guilds: named and identified and classified: Mary J. Bentley **(Be:FDDDEBFa.)**, Wilbert Mitton; Wesley Bentley **(Be:FDDDEBBC.)**, John Bentley **(BeFDDDCBBE.)** (?), Emma Bentley **(Be:FDDDEBBd.)**. Evid. sub. by Judy (Jamieson) Mitton.

Be282. BCRN:65-05-141839 (ON), Tracy Anne Mitton
Parents: Judith A. Jamieson and Ross R. Clarkson; CH legally adopted by D.R.B.M.

Be283. BCRN:68-05-071816 (ON), Trevor David Mitton
Parents: Judith A. Jamieson and Ross R. Clarkson; CH legally adopted by D.R.B.M.

Be284. BCRN:73-05-053595 (ON), Leeanne Kathleen Mitton **(Be:FDDDEBFaCBAa.)**.

Be285. BCRN:49---270004 (ON), David Richard Bentley Mitton **(Be:FDDDEBFaCBA.)**.

Be286. MCRN:72-W-95066 (ON), David R. B. Mitton **(Be:FDDDEBFaCBA.)** and Judith A. Jamieson.

Be287. BCRN:55-05-134971 (ON) Deborah Lynn Mitton **(BeFDDDEB-FaCBc.)**.

Be288. MCRN:77-A-24047 (ON), Deborah Lynn Mitton **(Be:FDDDEB-FaCBc)** and Paul Randolph Hooker.

Be289. Baptism Records, Park Street United Church, verified by present minister, Chatham, Ontario, Canada; class., ident., dates of b and bapt:

Be289.A. David Richard Bently Mitton, **(Be:FDDDEBFaCBA.)**, child of Humbert Glen Mitton and Ursula Helen Mary Coggins, b 5.31.1949, bapt. 11.13.1949.

Be289.B. Lesley Derrett Mitton, **(Be:FDDDEBFaCBB.)**, child of Glen Mitton and Ursula Coggins, b 2.25.1952, bapt. 5.15.1952.

Be289.C. Deborah Lynn Mitton **Be:FDDDEBFaCBc)**, child of Glen Mitton and Ursula Coggins, b 12.27.1955, bapt. 1.13.1957.

Be290. Will of Leslie Bentley Mitton **(Be:FDDDEBFaC.)**, of Zone Twp, Kent Co., ON, Farmer; written 4.24.1958. Ident. and class.:

"my three sons'

Russell Lloyd Mitton	**Be:FDDDEBFaCA.**
Humbert Glenn Mitton	**Be:FDDDEBFaCB.**
Wilbert Lorne Mitton	**Be:FDDDEBFaCC.**

Be291. Wedding Announcement, **Chatham Dailey Planet**, 6.20.1912. Leslie B. Mitton **(Be:FDDDEBFaC.)**, W.J.'s son, m Vergie Irene Graves, Humbert's dtr. Eight grandparents of couple were present.

Be292. Funeral Notice, Mary Janet Mitton, ae. 75 y, d 5.25.1940, interment in Evergreen Cemetery, Blenheim, Kent Co., ON. "Beloved wife of the late John W. Mitton; dear mother of Dr. O.W. Mitton, East Tawas, Mich.; Leslie B. and Russell E., Thamesville, Ont.; Mrs. W. H. Shaw, City; Dr. Leonard R., Orillia, Ont.; sister of Mrs. J. W. Shillington, Blenheim, Ont.; D. H. Bentley, Royal Oak, Mich." Ident. and class.: **Be:FDDDEBFa.**

Be293. Obituary. Border City Star, 12.21.1937, Windsor, ON. Wilbert J. Mitton, ae. 76 y, recording steward of the Official Board, Lincoln Road Unified Church, Windsor, b near Blenheim, lived most of his life in Thamesville, came to Windsor about 18 years earlier; I.O.O.F., Masonic Lodge; survived by widow Mrs. Mary Janet Mitton **(Be:FDDDEBFa.)**, four sons, Dr. O.W. Mitton of East Tawas, MI, Leslie B. Mitton and Russell E. Mitton of Thamesville, and Dr. Leonard R. Mitton of Leamington, one dtr Mrs. W. H. Shaw of Windsor, a sister Mrs. Matilda Baker of Harrow, and a brother Leslie D. of London, ON. Interment: Blenheim.

Be294. Beers, J.H., **Commemorative Biographical Record of the County of Kent, Ontario**, Toronto, 1904: p. 680.

Annie Bustin, John's dtr, b Howard Twp, m Westley Bentley **(Be:FDD-DEBBC.)**, residence on the lake shore in Howard; three CH: Joseph L.,

Jonathan, and Mary. Annie's father was a farmer-merchant and one of the founders of the Methodist Church in Harwich Twp.

Be295. Tombstone Inscriptions, Blenheim Cemetery, Blenheim, ON. Data collected by Judith (Jamieson) Mitton, Chatham, ON.
(A.) Lillian Bentley 1878—1901; class.: **BeFDDDEBBBc.**
(B.) Mother: Melia Bentley 1854—1922
(C.) Father: Michael J. Bentley 1854—1926; class.: **Be:FDDDEBBB.**
(D.) Unidentified: "Robert K." 1922—1925.

Following inscriptions on one stone, Woodmen of the World Monument on top:
(E.) Leonard M. Bentley, b 8.30.1843, d 9.16.1918; class: **Be:FDDDEBF.**
(F.) Isabella, wife of Leonard W., b 2.9.1843, d 11.29.1920.
(G.) Lorenda Belle Mitton, b 8.21.1888, d 10.2.1888; class.: **BeFDDDEB-Fab.**
(H.) Clara Belle Mitton, b 6.24.1897, d 6.8.1898; class.: **Be:FDDDEBFaf.**
(I.) Wilbert J. Mitton, 1862—1937;
(J.) Mary J. Bentley, 1864—1940; class.: **Be:FDDDEBFa.**

Be296. Tombstone Inscriptions, Morpeth Cemetery, Harwich Twp, Kent Co., Ontario, Canada, located on Highway No. 3 east from intersection of Hwys 3 and 21. Data collected by searcher Judy (Jamieson) Mitton, 8.1978.

(A.) "Sacred to the memory of Mary, beloved wife of Samuel Bentley, died April 23, 1879, Ae. 60 yrs 1 mo and 12 days."

(B.) "Samuel Bentley died April 28, 1876, aged 75 years." Class.: **Be:FDD-DEB.**

(C.) Byron Bentley 1850—1931; class.: **Be:FDDDEBG.**

(D.) Polly Bentley 1851—1939; ident.: Byron's wife.

(E.) Ira Bentley, b 8.24.1830, d 1.25.1912; class.: **Be:FDDDEBC.**

(F.) Susannah Bentley 1828—1905; ident: Jonathan's wife.

(G.) Jonathan Bentley 1825—1881; class.: **BeFDDDEBB.**

(H.) Wesley Bentley 1859—1936; class.: **Be:FDDDEBBC.**

(I.) Annie Bentley 1860—1937; ident.: Wesley's wife.

(J.) Jonathan C. (Bentley) 1890—1947; Class.: **Be:FDDDEBBCB.**

(K.) M. Mabel (Bentley) 1897—1954; ident.: Jonathan's wife.

(L.) Jane (Bentley) 1855—1936; likely **Be:FDDDEBCb.**; ident., 1861 CR.

(M.) John Barker 1860—1923; ident.: Jane's husband.

(N.) "Sacred to the memory of Deborah wife of Samuel Bentley of Howard U C, who departed this life 9th February A D 1839, aged 34 years, 5 months and 9 days." Class: **BeFDDDEB.** (Samuel, husband of Deborah Bell, his first wife. Nearby this stone, there was a stone inscribed with the names of Benjamin Bell and Elizabeth, likely grandparents of Deborah.

(O.) Denis W. (Bentley), "son of Samuel and Mary Bentley, died . . ." (stone broken here; missing pieces were hunted for but not found); probably d inf; class. (?): **Be:FDDDEBI.**

(P.) "In memory of Mary Ann, wife of Samuel Bentley, died May 19, 1900, aged 46 years, 10 months and 12 days." Ident. uncertain, Samuel is probably the "S." Bentley in the 1861 CR aged "6" y; class. **probably** is **Be:FDDDEBCA.**

Be297. Will of Isabella Bentley, Blenheim, Kent Co., ON, written 8.28.1918; Surrogate Court Office, Chatham, ON. Searcher Judy (Jamieson) Mitton. Ident.: Isabella (Haggart) Bentley, wife of Leonard Miles Bentley **(Be:FDDDDEBF.).**

"Testatrix," "married woman"	Isabella Bentley (signature)
"my son-in-law"	Wilbert J. Mitton
Classification:	"my children, namely"
Be:FDDDEBFC.	Duncan Henry Bentley
Be:FDDDEBFE.	Neil Edgar Bentley
Be:FDDDEBFa.	Mary Jeanette Mitton
Be:FDDDEBFb.	Sarah Alice Rayment
Be:FDDDEBFd.	Barbara J. Shillington

Be298. Source? Probably Beers, J.H., **Com. Biog. Rec. Co. Kent, ON**, 1904. Subject: Haggart, Neil or Haggart, Duncan.

Isabella Haggart, Neil's dtr, b Feb. 9, 1843, m Leonard Bentley **(Be:FDDDEBF.)**, who lives in Detroit, and they have children Mary "E.," wife of Wilbur Mitton, of Zone, County of Kent; Alice, wife of Goerge Raymons, of Chatham; Duncan H., of Detroit; Barbara, wife of John Shillington, of Blenheim; and Edward, of Detroit.

Be299. Will of Samuel Bentley (Be:FDDDEB.), written **2.21.1876**. Surrogate Court, Probate Record, Kent County, Chatham, Ontario, Canada.

> Samuel Bentley of the Village of Blenheim in the County of Kent and Province of Ontario, one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said County of Kent . . .

my daughter	Sally Ann Mallory
my son	Jonathan Bentley
my son	Ira Bentley
my son	James Bentley
my daughter	Martha Jackson
my son	Leonard M. Bentley
my son	Byron H. Bentley
my daughter	Deborah Ann Guyett
my beloved wife	Mary Bentley
my son-in-law	Francis Guyett

> I nominate my son Leonard M. Bentley, of the Township of Harwich, my said beloved wife Mary Bentley, and Henry Robinson of

the Village of Blenheim (all of the County of Kent) as Executors and Trustees of this my Will . . ."

In Witness Whereof I, the said Samuel Bentley, the testator, have, to this my Will, set my hand and affixed my seal this Twenty first day of February in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six (1876.) and in the Thirty-ninth year of the reign of her Majesty Queen Victoria.

Wit: **Niel Haggart** (signed and sealed) **Samuel Bentley**
Henry Robinson

Be300. Death Certificate (339988/IR), "Information Extracted for Genealogy," Office of the Registrar General, Parliament Bldgs, Toronto, ON; extract issued to this searcher 8.29.1977:

Name of Deceased	**Samuel Bentley**
Date of Death	**April 28th, 1876**
Place of Death	**Blenheim, Kent County**
Age or Date of Birth, if Given	**74 yrs**
Place of Birth	**Clinton, Ontario**
Occupation	**Farmer**
Names of Parents	Not Stated

Ident. and Classification: Samuel Bentley **(Be:FDDDEB.)**, son of Ira Bentley and Sarah Beam, **b ca 1801** (as previously established) see sources for him and his parents under Ira Bentley **(Be:FDDDE.)**.

Be301. Probate Record, Wills in Ontario, Kent Co., Howard Twp, Register of Wills, Vol. 2, 1876—1888; Microfilm No. 0522624, Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT; notes taken by this searcher 8.1977.

Will No. 332 for BENTLEY, Mary, page 125.

Will proved May 30, 1879; Will proved and registered in Surrogate Court, Mary Bentley d 4.23.1879, Harwich, Kent.

Mary Bentley, wife of **Samuel Bentley**, of Twp of Harwich, Kent Co., Province of Ontario, Declare this to be my last Will and Testament. This Will was written, signed and sealed Sept. 7, 1875.

Item No. 1: $500 to sustain Missionary or evangelist (not as Pastor or Minister) of a congregation of Christ or of universal believers known as disciples of Christ or Christians for preaching the Gospel to Sinners, $500 invested and interest thereof also to elders of Congregation of the **Disciples of Christ** now meeting at the Village of Ridgetown, Township of Howard, Kent County, Ontario ---- contributed by them in maintaining or supporting a Missionary of Christ in preaching the Gospel of Our Lord in the Province of Ontario and if not possible at nearest Congregation and then nearest Missionary of a Congregation of Christ.

Item No. 2: (extract) Son Byron Henry Bentley, real estate: a part of Lot 20, Con. 4, Twp of Harwick from Lake Erie----(note: "Bentley" was spelled "Bently")

3:	Son	Leonard Miles Bentley
4:	Dtr	Deborah Guyett
5:	Stepson	Ira Bentley
6:	Stepdtr	Martha Jackson
7:	Stepdtr	Sally Ann Mallory
8:	Stepson	Jonathan Bentley
9:	Stepson	James Bentley
(e.g., info.)		(paid by Byron) . . . $50 at expiration of 7 y 3 m of Mary's death (each for diff. per.).
10:	Husband	Samuel Bentley
11:	Executors	David Coughill, Farmer, of Harwick.
		John Teetzell, Farmer, of Harwick Twp.

Be302. Probate Record, **Will**, *ibid.*, p. 275.

Will No. 489 for BENTLEY, Jonathan, p. 275.

Will proved and registered July, 1881.
Will written on 2.7.1877, village of Marpeth in Kent Co., ON.

Jonathan Bentley died June 22, 1881. Jonathan Bentley, Harwich Twp. Kent County, Ontario Prov. . . . pay debts . . .

Wife	Susannah Bentley
Real estate: NE½ of Lot 21 in Con. 3, Harwich Twp.	
Son:	Wesley Bentley NE½ of NE½ of Lot 21 in Con. 3, Harwich Twp.
Son:	John Reynolds Bentley SW½ of NE½ of Lot 21 in Con. 3, Harwich Twp.
Dtr:	Catharine, now Mrs. Sanson Goswell.
Dtr:	Emma Bentley
Dtr:	Ada Bentley
Son:	Michael James Bentley

Be303. Census Report of 1851 for Ontario, Kent Co., Howard Twp., page 9. The Census Returns for Howard Twp were dated 1851-2. The following Bentleys *et al* were named; note that Samuel's calculated birth date, 1852 minus 51 equals 1801 (ca).

26. Samuel Bentley,[1] Farmer, b Canada, Methodist, 51 y

27. Mary Bentley, Housewive, b Canada, Methodist, 32 y

28. Ira Bentley, Labourer, b Howard, 22 y

29. James Bentley, Labourer, b Howard, 20 y

[1]The person named "Samuel Bentley," who d 4.28.1876, Blenheim, Kent Co., AE 74 y, is believed by this searcher, to have unmistakably been the same person above, husband of Mary named above and in the probate record. Unfortunately, the "Harwich Twp CR 1851" is missing. Mary (No. 32) **may** have been his dtr.

30. Leonard Bentley, son, b Howard, 9 y
31. Byron H. Bentley, son, b Howard, 1 y
32. Mary Bentley, Servant, b Howard, 16 y, "not a member" (?)
33. John Omrod, 31 y (?)

. . . Hannah Bentley, Servant, b Canada, Methodist, 18 y

. . . May Plumb, b Ireland, Methodist, 46, y, Widow

(1) William Plumb, b Canada, 25 y

(2) Joseph Plumb, Labourer, 20 y

(3) Margaret Jane Plumb, 12 y

(4) Mary A. Plumb, 9 y[1]

Ibid., **Cr 1851**, Howard Twp, Kent Co., page 43. The following **Elijah Bentley** has **not** been identified.

20. Elijah Bentley, carpenter, b Canada, "Babpiste," 42 y.
21. Mary Bentley, housewife, b United States, 38 y.
22. Ester L. Bentley, dtr, b Canada, 14 y.
23. James Bentley, son, b United States, 12 y.
24. Samuel Bentley, son, b Canada, 4 y.
25. Mercey Bentley, dtr, b Canada, 1 y.

Be304. Census Report of 1861 for Ontario, Kent Co., Howard Twp; Microfilm No. 0349284; GSL, SLC, UT (notes: 8.1977).

20. Ira Bentley, Farmer, b Upper Canada, 31 y.
21. E. J. Bentley, 28 y.
22. S------ Bentley, male, 6 y.
23. Jane Bentley, female, 5 y.
24. J. H. Bentley, male, 3 y.

The calculated birth date for Ira Bentley named above is 1861 minus 31 y or ca 1830. The birth year for the Ira Bentley named in the 1851 CR for Howard Twp (likely son of Samuel, since he was in the same household) was also ca 1830.

Be305. Agricultural Census Report of 1851, Ontario, Kent Co., Howard Twp:

"No. 39. Samuel Bentley, STR-98-200 a, 100 a under cultiv, 41 a under crops, 56 pasture, 3 gardens or orchards, 100 under wood, 16 wheat, produce bushel -- 260."

[1]Names and data following No. 31 above may be relevant in the future; the importance at the moment is questionable (1977). This additional data is presented here for possible future ref.

Be306. Church Records for 1900 on, for Guilds Circuit (Ridgetown) and for United Church, **Guilds, Harwich Twp;** Microfilm No. 0862249, **Canada, Ontario, Kent Co., Harwich;** incl. Baptisms, Marriages, Burials, Baptisms; GSL, SLC, UT; notes taken 8.1977; extracts follow.

A. Baptisms on the Guilds Circuit (Ridgetown).

6. Bentley, Mildred Morine, Harwich; Parents: John Bentley, Lora Jenner; b 5.21.1905, Harwich Twp, bapt 12.23.1917, Guilds.
7. Bentley, Helen Viola, Harwich Twp; Parents: John Bentley, Lora Jenner; b 9.30.1908, Harwich Twp.
8. Neville, Gertrude Pauline, Harwich; Parents: Jno. Neville, Hazel Mallory; b 2.8.1918
9. Armstrong, Marion Louise, Harwich; Parents: Ross Cumming Armstrong, Gertrude Neville; b 4.18.1916.
10. Bentley, Annie Lillian, Harwich; Parents: Jonathan B., Mabel Walters; b 11.3.1918, Harwich, ON.
11. Mallory, Dorothy Emma, of Guilds, Ontario; Parents: Edgar Mallory, Mabel Steel; b 12.13.1917, Guilds, Ontario.

B. Marriages:

(1) Harwich Twp, 11.29.1922, John R. Hubbard, 21, Presbyterian, m Mary L. Bentley, 21, Methodist, Harwich Twp; Parents: Sherman Hubbard and Kathrine McDougall; Parents: Wesley Bentley, Annie Buskin (spelling?); Wit: S. Jenner, W. Hubbard.

C. Burials:

(1) Bentley, John R., 53 y, b 10.22.1864, d 8.4.1918.
(2) Bentley, Byron, d 1931, bur Morpeth, Ontario.
(3) Bentley, Michael James, 72 y, funeral at Guilds, 9.14.1926.
(4) Bentley, Wesley, 76 y, Harwich Twp, b 7.1859, Harwich Twp, d 1.7.1936, growth in stomach, bur Morpeth; Minister: T. E. Sawyer.
(5) Bentley, Mrs. Arthur, 55 y, Harwich, Kent Co., b 9.9.1871, Harwich, d 3.17.1937.
(6) Bentley, Mrs. Wesley, 77 y, Oxford Twp, Kent Co., ON, b 12.6.1860, Oxford Twp, Kent Co., d 12.12.1937.
(7) Bentley, Mrs. Byron, 88 y, Harwich, b 4.23.1851, d 12.13.1939, bur Morpeth Cem.
(8) Bentley, Mrs. Oscar, 69 y, d 8.31.1952, bur Evergreen Cem., Blenheim.
(9) Bentley, Mrs. Jonathan, d 3.11.1954, bur Morpeth, Ontario.
(10) Bentley, Arthur H., 76 y, b Harwich Twp. 1880, d 4.30.1955, "hit by truck," bur Evergreen Cem., Blenheim.

D. Baptisms, United Church, Guilds; officiating minister: Samuel Bridgette.

(1) Hubbard, Katharine Ann, Harwich Twp, dtr of John Rufus Hubbard and Mary Lillian Bentley; b 10.30.1939, London, Ontario, bapt. 6.21.1942.

(2) Clarke, Dorothy Louise, Blenheim, Ontario, dtr of James Clarke, and Lillian Bentley; b 4.19.1944, Chatham, ON; bapt. 5.20.1945.

Be307. Op. cit.,1851 CR for Canada, Ontario, Kent Co., Howard Township; unidentified Bentleys:

20. Elijah Bentley, Carpenter, b Canada, Baptist, 42 y.
21. Mary Bentley, Housewife, b U.S., Baptist, 38 y.
22. Ester L. Bentley, dtr, b Canada, Baptist, 14 y.
23. James Bentley, son, **b U.S.**, Baptist, 12 y.
24. Samuel Bentley, son, b Canada, 4 y.
25. Mercey Bentley, dtr, b Canada, 1 y.

(?) . . . Thomas Plumb, **Blacksmith**, b canada, 16 y.
(?) . . . **Martha Bentley**, Servant, b Canada, 15 y.

Be308. Census Report of 1861 for Ontario, Kent Co., Harwich Twp; Microfilm No. 0349283, GSL, SLC, UT; notes of 8.1977.

7. W---- Bentley ("Bently"), Labourer, b U.S., Wesleyan Methodist, 44 y, married.
8. Cecilia Bentley, married woman, b U.S., Wesleyan Methodist, 28 y. Are the following his and **her** CH?
9. Cynthia Bentley, child, b U. S., 13 y.
10. Mary Elizabeth Bentley, child, b U. S., 11y.
11. Martha Bentley, child, b U. S., 9 y.
12. Sarah -- Bentley, child, b U. S., 7 y.
13. William Bentley, child, b U. S., 4 y.
14. Lewis Bentley, child, b U. C., 2 y.

Be309. The **1871 Census Report** for Ontario, Kent Co., Harwich Twp, pp 18, 25-6, and 28. Searcher: Judy Mitton (Be308.).

Family, p. 18: BENTLEY,
(1) Leonard, 28 y, b Ontario, Presbyt. rel., Eng. desc., farmer.
(2) Isabella, 28 y, b Ontario, Presbyt., Eng. desc.
(3) Mary J., 6 y, b Ontario.
(4) Sarah A., 5 y, b Ontario.
(5) Duncan H., 2 y, b Ontario.
(6) Barbara, 4/12 y, Dec., **Class.: Be:FDDDEBFd.** (Barbara).

Family, pp 25-6: BENTLEY,
(1) Jonathan, 46 y, b Ontario, E. Methodist rel., Eng. desc., farmer.
(2) Susannah, 44 y, b Ontario, E. Meth., Irish.
(3) Michael, 16 y, b Ontario, E. Meth., English.
(4) Wesley, 11 y, b Ontario.
(5) Emma, 8 y, b Ontario.
(6) John R., 6 y, b Ontario.
(7) Ada, 4 y, **Class.: Be:FDDDEBBf.** (Ada Bentley).

Family, p. 28: BENTLEY,
(1) Samuel, 70 y, **b Ontario**, Disciple rel.[1], English, farmer.
(2) Mary, 51 y, b Ontario, Disciple, German.
(3) Byron H. 21 y, b Ontario, English, farmer.
Class.: Be:FDDDEBG. (Byron H. Bentley).

Be310. Lauriston, Victor, **Romantic Kent, The Story of a County 1826—1952**, 1952. Leonard Bentley named, p. 234.

Be311. Beers, **Commemorative Biographical Record of Kent County, Ontario,** 1904, "Byron H. Bentley," pp 196-7; "John R. Bentley," pp 628-9. Searcher Judy (Jamieson) Mitton of Chatham, Ontario (1978).

Identification: Byron H. Bentley, b 11.29.1850, Howard Twp, son of Samuel and Mary (Scratch) Bentley of Kent Co. ". . . Samuel Bentley . . . son of Jacob Bentley . . ." statement in error; Samuel Bentley appears to be the son of Ira Bentley and Sarah Beam, Sarah being the daughter of Jacob Beam of Lincoln Co., Ontario. Samuel had a brother Jacob Bentley about a year younger.

According to the biography, **Samuel Bentley** was m **first** to **Deborah Bell**, of NY; their CH: (1) **Sarah Ann Bentley** m James Mallory; (2) **Jonathan Bentley** m Susan Story, CH: Catherine Bentley m Samson Gosnell, Michael James Bentley m Pennilia Todd, Wesley Bentley m Annie Bustin, Emmie Bentley m Norris Mallory, Adah Bentley m Joseph Jenner, and John Bentley m Louise Jenner. (3) **James Bentley** m Melvina Brown, (4) **Ira Bentley** m **first** Eliza J. Pardo and m **secondly** a Smith; (5) **Martha Bentley** m J. B. Jackson of Detroit, CH: Charles Jackson of Wallaceburg in Ontario, Harry Jackson, and Hattie Jackson. **Samuel Bentley** m **secondly Mary Scratch**; their 3 CH: (6) **Leonard Bentley** m Isabel Haggert, CH: Mary Bentley m Wilbur Mitton, Alice Bentley m George Raymond, Duncan Bentley, Edward Bentley, and Barbara Bentley m John Shelington; (7) **Byron H. Bentley** m Polly P. Grant, CH: Eva Bentley, Arthur Bentley, Oscar Bentley, and Stewart Bentley; and (8) **Deborah Bentley** m Frank Guyett, CH: Perzes Bentley, Hallie Bentley, Mary Bentley, Sarah Bentley, Bell Bentley, Hale Bentley, and Clifford Bentley.

John R. Bentley, b 10.23.1864, Harwich Twp, Kent Co., ON, son of Jonathan and Susannah (Story) Bentley. Jonathan Bentley was b 1827, son of Samuel and Mary (Bell) Bentley (?). By his first wife Samuel had Ira Bentley, James Bentley, and Jonathan Bentley. Jonathan Bentley was the father of 6 CH: Catherine, Michael J., Wesley, Emma, John R., and Ada Bentley; their CH: **Catherine** m Sampson Gosnell, CH: Susanna Gosnell and Burton Gosnell; **Michael J. Bentley** m Permelia Todd, CH: Lena Bentley, Howard Bentley, and Lillie Bentley; **Wesley Bentley** m Annie Buston, CH: Lorne,

[1]Disciples of Christ (see Be300.), a religious body organized in Pennsylvania in 1809 by Thomas and Alexander Campbell, seeking the unity of all Christians on the basis of the **Bible** alone, rejecting all creeds, and practicing baptism by immersion (Funk and Wagnalls, **Standard College Dictionary**, 1963.).

Jonathan, and Mary Bentley; **Emma Bentley** m Norris Mallory, CH: Hazel Mallory, Edgar Mallory, and Glen Mallory; **John R. Bentley**; and **Ada Bentley** m Joseph Jenner, CH: Earl Jenner, Garnett Jenner, and Susannah Jenner.

John R. Bentley m Lora Jenner, dtr of Thomas and Phoebe (Mallory) Jenner, CH: Leila W. Bentley, b 10.1892.

Be312. Last Will and Testament of Byron Henry Bentley (Be:FDDDEBG.), 3.2.1929, Surrogate Court Record, Chatham, Kent Co., Ontario, Canada (indexed).

Byron H. Bentley, Testator, of the Township of Harwich in the County of Kent and Province of Ontario, Farmer, made this Second day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine.

Ident.	**Class.**
"my sons"	
"Arthur Herman Bentley	**Be:FDDDEBGB.**
"Oscar Mervin Bentley"	**Be:FDDDEBGC.**
"Stuart Bentley"	**Be:FDDDEBGD.**
"**my daughter** Eva Lucinda Hastings"	**Be:FDDDEBGa.**
"**my beloved wife** Pauline Bentley"	
"my friend Thomas Burns to be the Executor"	

"My real Estate, being composed of part of the West half of Lot Twenty (20) in the Third Concession Lake Erie Survey in the Township of Harwich, containing one and one-half acres more or less, and lying North West of Provincial Highway No. 3 . . ."

Be313. Lobdell, Mrs. J. H., **Bentley Gleanings**, p 113:

> "Of Wm. Bentley; b about 1830 at Morpath, Ontario Co., Canada; m. 1858 Anna MacDonald. Had Geo. D.; b 28 Aug., 1872, Algonac, Mich.; Robert and Maria. **Wm.'s father was a Methodist minister."**

Note: "Morpath" is probably Morpeth, **Kent Co.**, Ontario, Algonac is in **St. Clair Co.**, MI, on the St. Clair River which separates MI from ON.

These Bentleys are unidentified (1978).

Be315. History of Chenango and Madison Counties, NY, 1880. **James Bamford** was "**an Irishman from Utica** . . . settled a mile above village." Report submitted 8.14.1978, by Ed M. Bentley, Seattle, WA.

James Bamford is believed to have been related to Moses Bamford, husband of SAMUEL BENTLEY'S anonymous daughter (**Be:FDDDd.**), mother of Samuel Bentley Bamford (**Be:FDDDdB.**).

Be316. Correspondence in the form of written letters dated (1) July 10, 1979, (2) July 20, 1979, and (3) August 13, 1979, sent directly to this searcher from searcher Mrs. Mary C. (Turner) Mallory, wife of this searcher's "fifth-cousin" Harold James Mallory (**Be:FDDDEBBdBB.**), P.O. Box 38,

Blenheim, Ontario, Canada (NOP-1AO). Mary found the query including this searcher's address in an issue of **Families** (vol. 17, 1978), a periodical of the Ontario Genealogical Society. The query pertained to the further identity of mutual ancestor SAMUEL BENTL(E)Y (**Be:FDDD.**), b 1746, Exeter (RI), whose death date and burial place remain unknown (1979).

Be317. "History of Early Families Reads Like Tale of Romance," **Chatham Daily News,** September 11, 1926, a specially written article in the Chatham, Ontario, newspaper. A copy of this article was enclosed in the July 20, 1979, letter from Mrs. Mary C. (Turner) Mallory (Be316.). The article contains alleged historical notes pertaining to the Bell and Bentley families. See article's essence following the classification of Samuel Bentley (**Be:FDDDEB.**).

Be318.

Be319. In the Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa, Ontario, the Microfilm Reel C-11794 contains an index of the Bentl(e)ys who are named in the British Military and Naval Records.

Information gleaned from the microfilm (in the form of index cards) include 58 items for Bentl(e)ys and three items for Beams. The following information may be of interest to Bentl(e)y Family genealogists.

(1) Bentley, Anne (D.S.) Widow, Wm. Bentley, Pensioner from R.A. To com'y Gen'l Routh. Solicits rations of provisions until she can be provided with a passage to England. St. Johns, L. C. 24-5-1838; C.509, pp. 166, 169.
(2) Bentley, Anne. Widow, Wm. Bentley, Pensioner, R.A. Certificate re her condition as stated in her petition. C.P. Reid, Asst Minister, St. James' Church, St. John's, L. C. 24-5-1838; C.509, pp. 169, 166.
(3) Bentley, Anne. Widow, Wm. Bentley, Pensioner, R.A. Her petition for rations should be addressed to Com'dr of the Forces. J.B. Price to W. Johnson, Com't Clerk, St. Johns, L.C. Com't, Montreal. 26-5-1838, C.509, pp 167, 169, 166.
(4) Bentley, Charles Thomas, Lieut. and Adj. R.C. Rifle Regt. To Lt. Col. Elliot, K. H. Applies for allowance for hire of stabling. Montreal, 5-4-1842; C.769, pp 127, 128.
(5) Bentley, Charles, Lieut. and Adj., R.C. Rifles. Montreal, 8-4-1842; C.769, pp 128, 127.
(6) *Ibid.*, Drummondville, C.W.; 29-9-1842; C.769, p 188.
(7) *Ibid.*, Thorold, Canada West, 18-11-1843; C.770, pp 84, 83.
(8) *Ibid.*, Amherstburg, C.W., 26-2-1844; C.770, pp 149-156, 141-148.
(9) *Ibid.*, Niagara, C. West, 22-7-1844; C.770, p 171.
(10) Bentley, G. Served in the Moose Mountain Scouts, Prov. Batt., H.Q. Moose Mountain—Rebellion, 1885; C.1848, p 47.

(11) Bentley, George A. Trooper. Moose Mountain Scouts. North-West Rebellion, 1885. Scrip. 1828, C.1848a.
(12) Bentley, Jams., Brown's Co., W.O. 28, X, Pt. 3 (M.336); 366.
(13) **Bentley, Ira. Pte, Capt. House's Company, Lincoln Militia, absent from his Co. (Sept. 1813) C.1701. p 242.**
(14) **Bentley, Ira. His deposition re Wm. Chambers; Ely, Harris., J.P., County of Niagara. 1-5-1815; C.93, p 193.** (copy further on)
(15) Bentley, J. 56th Regt. attached to 74th Regt. Mily convict; return of necessaries supplied him, proceeding to Quebec to embark for England. E.J. Crabbe, Major Com'dg 74th Regt., Montreal, 20-8-1841; C.174, pp 169, 168.
(16) Bentley, James, Pte., Queen's Rangers, 1779; C.1855, p 7.
(17) *Ibid.*, Private, Queen's Rangers, 24-4-1779; C.1862, p 18.
(18) *Ibid.*, 24-8-1779; C.1862, p 55.
(19) *Ibid.*, 24-10-1779; C.1862, p 70.
(20) *Ibid.*, 23-2-1780; C.1863, p 9.
(21) *Ibid.*, 24-4-1780; C.1863, p 21.
(22) *Ibid.*, ,24-8-1780; C.1863, p 40A.
(23) *Ibid.*, 24-10-1780; C.1863, p 55A.
(24) *Ibid.*, 23-2-1781; C.1864, p 134.
(25) *Ibid.*, 24-8-1781; C.1864, p 25.
(26) *Ibid.*, 24-10-1781; C.1864, p 7.
(27) *Ibid.*, 23-2-1782; C.1864, p 58.
(28) *Ibid.*, 24-4-1782; C.1865, p 20.
(29) *Ibid.*, 24-7-1782; C.1865, p 83.
(30) *Ibid.*,24-8-1702; C.1866, p 27.
(31) *Ibid.*, 24-8-1782; C.1865, p 44.
(32) Bentley, Jerh. Clarke's Co.; W.O. 28, X, Pt. 3 (M.336), 350.
(33) Bentley, Jeremiah. Married Mary Smith, Montreal, May, 1786. M.96, p 131.
(34) Bentley, John, Guides & Pioneers, 1782-1783; C.1889, p 3-11-20-24-29-35-37-40-50-59.
(35) Bentley, John. Prince of Wales American Regiment, 1783; C.1897, p 20-21-42.
(36) Bentley, John, Bateau Master, Quebec. Succeeded Liard; but cannot himself "fixed" until consequence of report of court of inquiry on Liard is known. H.R.H. the Duke of Kent to Lt. Genl. Hunter. Halifax, 30-9-1799. C.223, p 129; C.106, p 263.
(37) Bentley, John. Road Surveyor. Represented to the magistrates that the drain in Jesuits' Barracks being stopped and occasions the water to run down Fabrique Street, was told to apply to Gen'l Hunter. Quebec, 10-7-1805; C.599, p 47½.
(38) Bentley, John. Bateaux Master, Qr. Mr. Genl's Dept., Quebec. Return of his pay. 29-7-1811; C.1706, p 85.
(39) Bently, John. Bateau Master in the Qr. Master Genl's Dept., Quebec, 31-7-1811; C.30, p 54.

(40) Bently, John. Bateau Master, Quebec. Re his pay. Quebec, 31-7-1811; C.30, p 54.
(41) Bentley, John. Bateaux Master, Qr. Mr. Genl. Dept., Quebec. Pay and allowances for year 1812. Quebec. 30-8-1811; C.1706, p 139.
(42) Bentley, John, late Bateau Master, Quebec, from Noah Freer, Quebec. 29-4-1812. In reply to his memorial informs him there is no situation at present to which he could be appt'd. C.1218, p 225.
(43) Bentley, John. Petition on his behalf for pay for his services as gaoler at Sandwich in 1812. R. Armour to H.E. Sir J.C. Sherbrooke, G.C.B., Montreal, 28-4-1817. C.168, p 91.
(44) Bentley, Thomas. Volunteers of Ireland. 1780-81-82; C.1836, p 16-26-42; C.1837, p 1-15-25-31-49.
(45) Bentley, Thomas, Capt. & Adjt., 3rd Battn., Incorporated Militia, C.W. Date of his commission and order of precedency. Richard Bullock, Adjt Genl. Militia, Adj. Gen'ls Office, Toronto, 5-3-1841. C.769, pp 178-181, 177.
(46) *Ibid.*, To Lt. Col. Thorne, Militia, Claim of precedency. Niagara, 29-8-1842; C.769, pp 179-181, 177, 178.
(47) Bentley, Thomas, Capt. and Adjt. 3 Incorporated Battn. Requesting that accompanying letter and return, from the above, be submitted to the Com'dr of the Forces. Lt. Col. A. Thorne (Militia) to Lt. Col. Elliot, R.C. Rifles. Niagara, 30-8-1842; C.769; pp 177-181.
(48) Bentley, W., Carpenter, Ord'ce Dept., Montreal, to the Earl of Dalhousie. Memorial praying for grant of land in Godmanchester or in adjoining Tpe. Montreal, 15-6-1822; C.600, p 101.
(49) Bentley, late William. Pensioner from R.A. Date of his decease; services; his widow solicits rations of provisions until she can be provided with a passage to England. Anne Bentley to Com'y Gen'l Routh. St. Johns, L.C. 24-5-1838; C.509, pp 166, 169.
(50) Bentley, late William. Formerly of R.A. Certificate of services as Volunteer in St. John's Loyal Volunteers, 1837-38. Geo. Lay, Capt. Com'dy 1st Co., St. John's Loyal Volunteers. St. John's, L.C. 24-5-1838; C.509, p 169.
(51) Bentleys, Thomas, Private in first Battalion of New Jersey Volunteers. 27-7-1782; C.1853, p 15.
(52) Bently, Jas., Private, Queen's Rangers, 24-12-1779; C.1862, p 104.
(53) Bently, James. Mil'y Artificer, Carpenter employed in Engineer Dept., Isle aux Noix on 8-10-1813. Capt. F. Gordon, R.A., and Asst. Engineer. C.387, p 135.
(54) Bently, Robert, Pte., 41st Regt. In hospital at Ancaster. Ass't Surgeon J. Kennedy. 25-11-1814. C.912, p 99.
(55) Bently, Thomas H., Militia Man. Returns, 1837; C.1203½ P., p 3.
(56) Bentley, Thomas H., Serjt., 2nd Frontenec Militia. Allowances & pay to cease while on leave of absence. Kingston, 7-3-1838; C.1203½ Pl, p 123.
(57) Bentley, Thomas. Adjutant, 3rd Bn., Incorporated Militia, Dec. 1838, C.1040., p 172.

(58) Beam, Janis, Pte., 4th Regt, Lincoln Militia. In Capt. A. Nelles' company, 5-10-1813. C.1701., p 240.
(59) **Beam, John, Pte, Capt. House's company, Lincoln Militia; absent from his Co. (Sept. 1813), C.1701., p 242.**

Note: See data for **Ira Bentley** (13).
(60) Beam, Martin. Statement of his claim for supplies furnished for use of British Army in U.C. Fort George, 10-1-1816. Approved. Mil'y Secy. C. Foster. 16-3-1816. C.91, p 179.

Be319. Item 14. Detailed. British Military and Naval Records, "C" Series, C.93., p. 193.

Ira Bently's sworn statement of May 1, 1815, regarding a conversation he had in December 1814, at a house on "the four mile Creek near the Fort Niagara" with William Chambers.

Niagara County; The People of the State of New York

Ira Bently duly sworn, deposeth & saith that in December 1814, that he was at a house at the four mile Creek near the Fort Niagara, and there was a man from Canada came into the Room, called him (deponent) Chambers, asked if the wheat was ready, the reply was nearly, asked if he could supply any bags, his reply was a few, the man then said that the team would be over in two or three days, and went away. The deponent further stated that some time previous, that Chambers borrowed some clothes of the deponent, and went away carrying with him some news Papers, when he returned, this was in two or three days, said that he had been in the Fort, that the Commandant, has used him handsomely, and had made a contract for wheat, asked him a number of questions, asked him to go.

Enquiry by the Court, do you believe that William Chambers is friendly to the British? Answer I do.

The above sworn to about the first day of May 1815.

Sworn before me

'Signed' Ely Harris Justice of the Peace,
in, and for the County of Niagara

I certify the aforegoing to be true Copies of the originals enclosed by me with a memorial for William Chambers to the Commander of the Forces at Quebec in the Month of May 1817. York, Upper Canada, Sept. 29, 1819.
'Signed' John H. Campbell, Capt'n 1st Reg't Glengary Militia.

Be320. Correspondence in June and July of 1978 with Mrs. Walter J. (Lillian Louise Roest) Gatherer (**Be:FDDDEaCDca.**), formerly of Grand Rapids, MI, res (1978): 3765 Village Green Drive, Sarasota, FL 33579.

A. The Civil War Pension Record, enlistment of Ira B. (also "Ira. D.") Ellsworth on August 25, 1864, and statement that he was present for muster rolls through December, 1864; other details; see **Be:FDDDEaC.** He served

with Sherman's Army in Company A, 1st Regiment Michigan Engineers and Mechanics. He was injured near Beaufort, SC, 2.1.1865.

B. Other records that Lillian refers to which this searcher has **not** seen include:

(1) Detroit Soc. Gen. Research, Vol. II, Sept., 1947.

(2) Book of Marriages, 1837—1857, pp. 1—26; located in the St. Clair County Clerk's Office, Port Huron, MI; and

(3) Reference to Be349.

(4) The Family History of Whiteheads and Ellsworths.

(5) The 1860 Census Report for . . .
Lillian found the name of Dewitt Ellsworth with the names of the members of Ira Bentley Ellsworth's brother Austin's family: Austin, 24; wife Mary, 23; son Erwin, 1; and Dewitt, 8.

(6) Lillian comments that in the 1870 CR, Ira is listed with wife Louisa, but with no children. Identification of CR? —of Ira?

(7) "Family records of the compiler"

Be321. The **Bible** transcription-record(s) kept by Adeline Lucy Shenick **(Be:FDDDEafa.)**, now in possession (1978) of G. H. Mason of Arcadia, CA **(Be:FDDDEafaBA.)**. A copy of the record(s) is in the possession (1978) of Mrs. M. J. M. Hurdle **(Be:FDDDEafaBAa.)** of Whittier, CA. Information contained therein was believed to have been written by two people.

Adeline Lucy Shenick (1) recorded the births and marriages of her parents Harriet Ellsworth and Richard Shenick, also of her husband and herself as well as of her children and their spouses. She also recorded the births and marriages of her grandchildren. The birth dates for her great-grandchildren were recorded in the distinctive handwriting of her daughter-in-law (2) Mrs. Charles Richard (Celia Appelt) Mason.

Be322. Correspondence and interview with genealogical searcher-researcher Mrs. Chellis Ray (Mary Josephine Mason) Hurdle or "Cousin Jo" **(Be:FDDDEafaBAa.)**, res (1978): 7414 S. Lynalan Ave., Whittier, CA 90606.

Be323. Rough draft of five pages including correspondence between John C. Higgins, R. R. 3, Komoka, Ontario, dated 1.9.1964, 1.25.1964, 1.27.1964, and 3.16.1964, and Mrs. William M. (Hattie May Ellsworth) Hanley **(Be:FDDDEaIa.)**, Ellsworth-family informant, 16200 Escobar Ave., Los Gatos, CA, dated 1.21.1964, with enclosed letter (without relevant information) dated 2.3.1922, sent to Mrs. W. M. Hanley, Marlette, MI, from a searcher in Middlebury, VT. In the chart entitled "The Ellsworth Family" appeared the names of the grandchildren, children and their spouses, husband, two sisters-in-law (m surnames only), father-in-law (unnamed, "fought in the Revolutionary War," with "1775-1781" added later) Ellsworth, of Mrs.

William (**Lydia Bentley**) Ellsworth **(Be:FDDDEa.)**. The undated chart was in possession of Hattie May (Ellsworth) Hanley and was copied by John C. Higgins on 1.25.1964.

In the space above the chart is written this message: "Legend has it that there were six Ellsworth brothers who came from Wales about the time of the Revolutionary War (1769). Three fought for the U. S. and three for the British."

Named in the chart in this order were the children of Lydia Bentley's anonymous father-in-law (including Lydia's husband William): (1) "One sister married Hamilton," (2) "One sister married Lyons," (3) "Eliphalet," (4) "Ephraim," and (5) "**William born in Middlebury Vermont 1797** Fought in the war of 1812 with Green Mt. Boys. Wounded in hand, Battle of Plattsburg. Died in Township of Worth in 1865. **As a young man went to New York State. There married Lydia Bentley** Lived in Canada a short time. Moved to Lexington, Michigan 1837. Worth Twnshp."

Be324. Birth Certificate, BCRN:657-38-N68225172 (MI), for Mary Josephine Mason, b 5.21.1938, Highland Park, Wayne Co., MI; dtr of George H. Mason and wife Ethel L. Mattson of Detroit, MI.
Class.: Mary Jo. Mason, **Be:FDDDEafaBAa.**

Be325. Birth Certificate, BCRN:1299-35 (Cook Co., IL), for Chellis Ray Hurdle, b 10.20.1935, Oak Park, Cook Co., IL; son of Charles Ray Hurdle and Vivian Hope Drury.

Be326. Marriage Certificate.

Be327. Birth Certificate, BCRN:63151-57-7061 (LA Co., CA), for Alan Ray Hurdle, b 12.10.1957, Montebello, Los Angeles Co., CA; son of Chellis Ray Hurdle and wife Mary Josephine Mason.
Class.: Alan Ray Hurdle, **Be:FDDDEafaBAaA.**

Be328. Birth Certificate, BCRN:19004-60-7061 (LA Co., CA), for Robert Edward Hurdle, b 4.9.1960, Montebello, Los Angeles Co., CA; son of Chellis Ray Hurdle and wife Mary Josephine Mason. **Class.:** Robert Edward Hurdle, **Be:FDDDEafaBAaB.**

Be329. Birth Certificate (info from Be322.), with birth date incorrectly written as "Dec. 31, 1905." The correct birth date is 1.1.1905, for George Henry Mason, son of Charles Richard Mason and his wife Celia Appelt.
Class.: George Henry Mason, **Be:FDDDEafaBA.**

Be330. Birth Certificate, BCRN:82-726 (Sandusky, Sanilac Co., MI), for Charles Richard Mason, b 6.15.1882, Lexington, MI; son of George Henry Mason and wife Adeline Lucy Shenick.
Class.: Charles Richard Mason, **Be:FDDDEafaB.**

Be331. Birth record of Adeline Lucy Shenick, b 5.2.1852, Lexington, Sanilac Co., MI; dtr of Richard D. Shenick and wife Harriet Ellsworth (info from Be322.).
Class.: Adeline Lucy Shenick, **Be:FDDDEafa.**

Be332. Family **Bible transcription-record, Bible** in possession (1978) of George H. Mason, Arcadia, CA; birth date of Aug. 1, 1831, for Harriet A. Ellsworth, dtr of William Ellsworth and Lydia Bentley. Record (see Be321., Be322.).
Class.: Harriet A. Ellsworth, **Be:FDDDEaf.**

Be333. Family tradition, according to her knowledgeable descendants, "has it that" **Lydia Bentley** was born on **September 12, 1800,** in **Canada**. This tradition when compared to two other sources leaves little doubt that she was the daughter of Ira Bentley and Sarah (Sally) Beam, although to the best of this searcher's knowledge the descendants of hers known to him (two in number) did **not** know the names of Lydia Bentl(e)y's parents. The two corroborating sources are: (1) evidence that the three eldest children born to Ira Bentley and his wife Sarah Beam were Lydia (b ca 1800), Samuel, and Jacob, according to the 1804 Census Report (Berczy)[1] for Markham Twp, Old York Co. (in Ontario, Canada, now) (and also Ira's Upper Canada Land Petition[2] for Sarah's surname); and (2) the fact that Sarah Beam's **first** husband was named Ira Bentley and that Widow Sarah (Beam) Bentley's **second** husband was named Amos Lyons[3] — the given names of Lydia (Bentley) Ellsworth's third-born and fifth-born children, respectively.[4] Incidentally, Lydia's fourth-born child was named **Sarah.**
Identification: Lydia Bentley, **Be:FDDDEa.**

Be334.

Be335. Historical Atlas of Middlesex County, Ontario, H. R. Page and Co., Toronto: 1878, page 6. This Atlas was published by Edward Phelps, Sarnia, Ontario, as an offset edition in 1972; copy was obtained (1978) from Cumming Atlas Reprints, Box 23, Stratford, Ontario, Canada N5A 6S8 (illustrated atlas reprints for several counties in the Province of Ontario still available).

Be340. Correspondence to H. C. Bentley, Boston, MA, 3.9.1927, from Willis A. Bentley, Bentley Terrace, 47 Beck Ave., Rye, NY; 1 of 4 related papers in the "Bentley Safe Ms. 27," Mary Lovering Holman "collection," NEHGSL, Boston, MA (see Be34.C.).

Dear Sir:

Here you are. Finally all the information I can give you concerning the Bentleys is in this genealogy. Hence the blanks are not filled out.

I would be glad to know how you connect with this line.

[1] See source Be13C.
[2] See source Be15D.
[3] See sources Be51, Be52, Be53.
[4] See source Be321.

The Benjamin Bentley mentioned at the battle of Malvern Hill[1] in the civil when the color sergeant was shot and the regiment retreating, ran to the place, picked the flag and was shot at from all directions as he brought in the flag with arm splintered and dangling at his side fainting from the loss of blood.

I heard my father ask him why he did not drop the flag and his reply was, 'That's just what they wanted me to do!'

My father had sisters living around Winsted and Colebrook about 1885. Mrs. Ellen Rowly for one.

I would be glad to hear from you.

Very truly,

Willis A. Bentley (signature)

Be341. Undated newspaper **Obituary** for George H. Mason. Interment at Oakview Cemetery (no other place given). George H. Mason was the husband of Adeline **(Be:FDDDEafa.)**, father of Daniel E. Mason **(Be:FDDDEafaC.)**, grandfather of Geo. H. Mason **(Be:FDDDEafaBA.)**, gf of Howard R. Mason **(Be:FDDDEafaBB.)**, and gf of Norman C. Mason **(Be:FDDDEafaBC.)**.

Be342. Undated newspaper **Obituary** (in the form of inserted handwriting the death date appeared twice: April 1, 1927) George H. Mason of Royal Oak, formerly of Lexington, passed away at his home after an illness covering several months. Mr. Mason is survived by his widow, **Adeline Shenick Mason (Be:FDDDEafa.)**, and his son, Dan Mason **(Be:FDDDEafaC.)**. Two other sons, Charles R. **(Be:FDDDEafaB.)** and Raymond S. **(Be:FDDDEafaD.)**, died several years ago. George H. **(Be:FDDDEafaBA.)**, Howard R. **(Be:FDDDEafaBB.)**, and Norman C. Mason **(Be:FDDDEafaBC.)** are grandsons. The services were held at the home, conducted by Rev. Blackford of the St. John's Episcopal Church. Floral tributes in profusion showed the high esteem in which the deceased was held.

Be343. Copy of **Marriage Certificate** written by and signed by the Justice of Peace, C. M. Mills, is in possession of Mrs. Chellis Ray (Mary Josephine Mason) Hurdle **(Be:FDDDEafaBAa.)**, Whittier, CA. **Harriet Ellsworth (Be:FDDDEaf.)**, aged 15 y, **m 12.16.1846, Richard Shenick**, aged 20 y, both of Lissington Twp., St. Clair Co., MI.

Be344. Undated newspaper **Obituary** for Mrs. Adeline Lucy (Shenick) Mason **(Be:FDDDEafa.)**. "Funeral services for Mrs. Adeline Lucy Mason, age 84 . . . St. John's Episcopal Church . . . interment . . . Oakview Cemetery . . . home, 759 Rochester Road, Clawson . . . survived by one son, Daniel Mason, and three grandchildren, George, Howard and Norman." Identification and classification: Daniel Mason **(Be:FDDDEafaC.)**, George Mason

[1]Malvern Hill is a plateau on the James, VA, 14 mi. SE of Richmond; battle 7.1.1862, the last of the Seven Days' Battles of the Peninsular Campaign; Confederate attack repulsed but Union troops withdrew the next day. Ref: **Webster's New Geographical Dictionary**, 1977. **Ident. — ?**

(**Be:FDDDEafaBA.**), Howard Mason (**Be:FDDDEafaBB.**), and Norman Mason (**Be:FDDDEafaBC.**).

Be345. Undated newspaper **Obituary** for Mrs. William J. (Rose M. Lund) Johnston (**Be:FDDDEaja.**). "In the village of Marlette, May 27th, 1880, Rose M., wife of William J. Johnston, and daughter of Josiah and Julina Lund; aged 18 years and seven months . . ." Also ident. and class: Mrs. Josiah (Julina Emma Ellsworth) Lund (**Be:FDDDEaj.**).

Be346. Portrait and Biographical Album of Gratiot County, Michigan, Chapman Brothers, 1884, p 342, "Ira B. Ellsworth." Identification and classification: Lydia Bentley (**Be:FDDDEa.**). Lydia's third-born child, Ira Bentley Ellsworth (**Be:FDDDEaC.**); Lydia's spouse William Ellsworth; Ira's **first** spouse Almira Vancamp; Ira's **second** spouse Louisa (Colburn) Pherris; and Ira's five children surviving his first wife Almira (hypothetical birth-sequence):

Emeline Ellsworth (**Be:FDDDEaCa.**)
Ira Ellsworth (**Be:FDDDEaCB.**)
Jefferson Ellsworth (**Be:FDDDEaCE.**), **b when?**
Dewitt Ellsworth (**Be:FDDDEaCC.**)
Henry Ellsworth (**Be:FDDDEaCD.**)

Be347. Portrait and Biographical Album of Sanilac County, Michigan, Chapman Brothers, 1884, p (?), "Richard D. Sherrick;" error in the spelling of the surname — should be "Shenick" and **not** "Sherrick." Ident. and class.: Lydia Bentley (**Be:FDDDEa.**); Lydia's dtr Harriet Ellsworth (**Be:FDDDEaf.**); Harriet's only child Adeline Shenick (**Be:FDDDEafa.**); Lydia's spouse William Ellsworth; Harriet's spouse Richard D. Shenick; Adeline's ("Adaline") spouse George Mason; and Richard D. Shenick's parents Solomon and Phebe (Phoebe) ("Sails") (Sayles) ("Sherrick") Shenick.

Be348. Portrait and Biographical Album of Sanilac County, Michigan, Chapman Brothers, 1884, p. 149, "Edward W. Ellsworth." Ident. and class.: Lydia Bentley (**Be:FDDDEa.**); her spouse William Ellsworth; her ninth-born child (**not** seventh as implied) of ten children (**not** "eight" as stated). Edward W. Ellsworth (**Be:FDDDEaI.**); Edward's spouse Lucetta (**not** "Loretta" as stated) Beardslee, dtr of Lewis and Mary Beardslee; two children of Edward and Lucetta, without birth dates, Frank Herbert Ellsworth (**Be:FDDDEaIA.**) and Hattie May Ellsworth (**Be:FDDDEaIb.**).

Note: copies of the pages of the three preceding **Album** sources were seen by this searcher on 6.30.1978, and are in possession of Mrs. Chellis Ray (Mary Josephine Mason) Hurdle (**Be:FDDDEafaBAa.**), Whittier, CA.

Be349. The **1850 Census Report** for Michigan, Sanilac Co., Worth Twp., Lexington (P.O.), dated 9.6.1850.

(1)# Fam.: **Ira Ellsworth**, age 24, Laborer, b NY.
Almira Ellsworth, age 20, b Canada.
Emiline Ellsworth, age 1, b MI.
John (Ira?) Ellsworth, age 1/12, b MI.

(2)# Fam.: **William Ellsworth**, age 53, Farmer, b VT.
Lydia Ellsworth, age 50, b Canada.
Amos Ellsworth, age 20, b NY.
Austin Ellsworth, age 15, b Canada.
Edward Ellsworth, age 13, b Canada.
Julina Ellsworth, age 9, b MI.

Be350. Michigan Mortality Record for Year Ending June 1, 1850, U.S. Census Bureau; abstracted by E.W. and E.G. Williams of Kalamazoo and indexed by E. O'Rourke, member of Lansing Chapt., DAR, 12.1961. The Mortality Schedule incl. deaths in 12-mo. period prior to taking of census; orig. microfilm in MI State Lib. Names alphabetized by alphabetized counties also.

(1) Elsworth, Mariah, 65, F, m, **b VT**, d 3.1850, Lapeer Co., Dropsy.
(2) Bently, Dontella, 3, F, b MI, d 8.1849, Monroe Co., Dysentery.
(3) Bently, Esther, 2, F, b MI, d 9.1849, Monroe Co., Dysentery.
(4) Bently, Wiliam, 1, M, b MI, d 9.1849, Monroe Co., Dysentery.
(5) Bently, Henrietta, 22, F, m, b NY, d 10.1849, Monroe, Dysentery.

Be356. West Greenwich, "Births and Marriages," Book 2, p. 86 (from original).

West Greenwich, March 19, 1786, this may certify that **Stephen Albro** of West Greenwich is lawfully married to and with **Hannah Bentley of West Greenwich** also daughter of **Caleb Bentley**, this done by me the subscriber Elder Nathan Hill of the Baptist church which is in North Kingstown.

Lydia Albro, first daughter of the said **Stephen Albro** and **Hannah** his wife was born the 30th of July 1786.

West Greenwich, September the 4th 1791. These are to certify to all that **Stephen Albro** of West Greenwich is lawfully married to and with **Amey Hopkins**, daughter of **Joseph Hopkins** of West Greenwich by me Elder **Nathan Hill.**

Identity of **Caleb Bentley**, father of Hannah (Bentley) Albro? Also Be69B. (duplic.).

Be357. Report of August 1978, from the Centre d'Archives de la Capitale, 1180, rue Berthelot, Quebec, Quebec G1R 3G3, in answer to this searcher's query regarding the possibility of the existence of a record for a "Cecelia Bentley," "b ca 1808" — information provided by Cecelia's descendant, Mrs. Andrew R. (Judith Mae Cameron) Fraser, PSC Box 2685, A.P.O., NY 09283, who did not know the names of Cecelia's parents and therefore did not know whether or not Cecelia was descended from a Rhode Island

Bentley. The photocopies for 36 records of Bentleys in Quebec from 1786 to 1869 were sent to this searcher in August of 1978. Among them was this photocopy: "Baptism (for) **Bentley, Cecilia Jane, 22d April 1802**, Cong. (?) of English Church (or) Metropolitan; John Bentley and Deborah (parents)." Hopefully, this record is genealogically significant.

The records rearranged chronologically follow:

(1) Bapteme, October 1, 1786, Henry Canada Bentley, (son of) John Bentley and Catherine, English Cathedral.

(2) Sepulture, October 9, 1786, Catherine Bentley, wife of John Bentley, English Cathedral.

(3) Mar(r)iage, January 11, 1789, John Bentley and Mary Gill, English Cathedral.

(4) Sepulture, February 11, 1790, Mary Culley Bentley, 33 years old, wife of John Bentley, English Cathedral.

(5) Bapteme, February 11, 1790, Timothy Thomas Bentley, (of) Mary Culley and John Bentley (parents), English Cathedral.

(6) **Marriage, December 21, 1799, John Bentley to Deborah McKay** (McKay?), **St. Andrew's Church, Quebec**.

(7) Baptism, January 18, 1801, Emely Mary Bentley, Cong. (Cong.?) of English Church (or) Metropolitan.

(8) **Baptism, April 22, 1802, Cecilia Jane Bentley, parents John Bentley and Deborah, Cong.** (Cong.?) **of English Church** (or) **Metropolitan.**

(9) Baptism, February 29, 1804, Mary Ann Bentley, parents **John Bentley and Deborah**, Metropolitan.

(10) Burial, June 11, 1806, Mary Ann Bentley, parents **John Bentley and Deborah**, Metropolitan.

(11) Baptism, August 5, 1806, Thomas Hugh Bentley, parents **John Bentley and Deborah**, Metropolitan.

(12) Marriage, October 8, 1806, James Bentley and Elizabeth Welch, Metropolitan.

(13) Baptism, January 26, 1808, George Edward Bentley, parents **John Bentley and Deborah**, Metropolitan.

(14) Baptism, March 11, 1808, Eleanor Bentley, parents **John Bentley and Deborah**, Metropolitan.

(15) Burial, March 13, 1808, Eleanor Bentley, parents **John Bentley and Deborah**, Metropolitan.

(16) Burial, April 8, 1808, George Edward Bentley, parents **John Bentley and Deborah**, Metropolitan.

(17) Burial, May 19, 1808, Elizabeth Bentley, aged 26 years, Wife of James Bentley, Metropolitan.

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(18) **Burial, July 28, 1809, Deborah Bentley, aged 39 years, Wife of John Bentley, Metropolitan.**

(19) Marriage, November 2, 1811, John Bentley and Margaret Hutton, Metropolitan.

(20) Burial, April 17, 1813, John Bentley, Apprentice, aged 10 years, Metropolitan.

(21) **Burial, November 11, 1813, John Bentley, "High Constable, etc.," aged 59 years, Metropolitan.**

(22) Baptism, November 13, 1825, Frances Mary Bentley, Daughter of James Bentley and Elizabeth, Wife, Garrison Church, Quebec.

(23) Burial, December 1, 1826, Frances Mary Bentley, Daughter of James Bentley and Elizabeth, Wife, Garrison Church, Quebec.

(24) Baptism, May 30, 1830, Joseph Bentley, son of James Bentley and Elizabeth, Wife, Garrison Church, Quebec.

(25) Burial August 13, 1832, Joseph Bentley, Aged 23 years, Metropolitan

(26) Marriage, May 15, 1841, Robert Bentley to Ann Duffett, Wesleyan Methodist Church.

(27) Burial, July 15, 1844, Mary Duckels (Duckels?), Wife of Henry Bentley, Wesleyan Methodist Church.

(28) Marriage, April 1, 1845, William Bentley to Eliza Clara Urquhart, Wesleyan Methodist Church.

(29) Baptism, September 29, 1846, Eliza Clara Bentley, Daughter of William Bentley and Eliza Clara Urquehart, Wife, Wesleyan Methodist Church.

(30) Marriage, October 16, 1850, Joseph Bentley to Ann Walker, St. Andrew's Church, Quebec.

(31) Marriage, June 25, 1859, Henry Bentley to Eleanor McCord, Wesleyan Methodist Church.

(32) Baptism, April 29, 1862, Mary Elizabeth Bentley, Daughter of Henry Bentley and Eleanor, Wife, Wesleyan Methodist Church.

(33) Baptism, April 29, 1862, Euphemia Hannah Bentley, Daughter of Henry Bentley and Eleanore, Wife, Wesleyan Methodist Church.

(34) Baptism, Mai 2, 1864, Louisa Ann Bentley, fille de Henry Bentley et V de Elleonard, Sou, epouse, Wesleyan Methodist Church, No. 1.

(35) Burial, November 23, 1865, Henry Bentley, of Quebec, Wesleyan Methodist Church, Quebec.

(36) Baptism, May 20, 1869, Elenor Emily Bentley, Daughter of Henry Bentley and Eleanor, Wife, Wesleyan Methodist Church, Quebec.

Be358. History of Monona County, Iowa, Chicago: 1890, p. 604, "Lieut. Samuel T. Cameron," Monona Co. History. Samuel was the son of William Cameron and wife Cecelia Bently, a native of Montreal, b ca 1808, d 1855, Linn Co., IA. Cecelia and William were m in Toronto, ca 1823. Identity? Query: Who were Cecelia Bentl(e)y's parents? Have Cecelia's parents' names been found? See preceding ref.

Be359. Probate Record of Samuel T. Cameron, d 2.13.1905, "District Court Record of Monona Co., IA, 2.27.1905; Probate File, Onawa Public Library, Onawa, IA (51040). Names of his widow, sons, and dtrs, with ages and addresses. Cecelia (Bently) Cameron's son Samuel T. Cameron. Cecelia's parents?

Be360. Census Report of 1900, Michigan, Macomb Co., Bruce Twp, e.d. 50, sheet 14, line 51; 34B/7183 (p). Search was made by Ed M. Bentley of Seattle, WA.

(1) **Samuel Bentley, b Dec., 1826**, age 73, b **Canada East; father b NY, mother b Canada East.**
(2) Ursula Bentley, wife, b June, 1828, age 71, b **NY**; father b NY, mother b CT.
(3) They have been married 52 y; 7 of 7 CH b to them were alive in 1900. Samuel is a farmer who immigrated in 1847.

Continuation of report: e.d. 50, sheet 7, line 34, Bruce Twp, Romeo Village.
(4) Samuel Bentley, b March, 1858, age 42, b MI; father b Canada ----, mother b NY.
(5) Ella Bentley, wife, b January, 1863, age 37, b MI; father b England, mother b England.
(6) Clyde Bentley, son, b July, 1880, age 19, b MI; father b MI, mother b MI.
(7) William Bentley, son, b Nov. 1883, age 16, b MI . . .
(8) Fred Bentley, son, b June, 1885, age 14, b MI . . .
(9) Harison Bentley, son, b Sept., 1888, age 11, b MI . . .
(10) Howard Bentley, son, b Sept., 1891, age 8, b MI . . .

Be361. Census Report of 1870, Michigan, Macomb Co., Bruce Twp., Romeo P.O., 310/9 (p). Searcher Ed. Bentley of Seattle.

No. 62/64	Leonard Hosner,	27 y, b MI	(ca 1842/3).
	Maranda,	20 y, b MI	(ca 1849/50).
	Clayton,	5/12 y, b MI	(ca 1869/70).

Be362. Census Report of 1870, Michigan, Macomb Co., Bruce Twp., Romeo P.O., 285/290 (p). Searcher Ed. Bentley of Seattle, WA. No. 285/190, census taken 6.30.1870.

	Samuel Bently,	**45 y, b Canada**	**(ca 1824/5).**
	Ersulah,	43 y, b NY	(ca 1826/7).
	Alfreda,	22 y, b MI	(ca 1847/8).

Charles,	18 y, b	MI	(ca 1851/2).
Louisa,	16 y, b	MI	(ca 1853/4).
Samuel,	**13 y, b**	**MI**	**(ca 1856/7).**
Sarah,	9 y, b	MI	(ca1860/1).
John,	7 y, b	MI	(ca 1862/3).
Samuel Bently, Sr.,	**80 y, b**	**NY**	**(ca 1789/90).**

Be363. Census Report of 1850, Michigan, Lapeer Co., (Town of) Oregon, 386/771 (p). Thanks to Ed. Bentley of Seattle, WA, searcher.

No. 974/982	Samuel Bentley,	59 y, b	NY	(ca 1790/1), farmer.
	Mary Bentley,	56 y, b	Lower Canada	(ca 1793/4).
	Mary Bentley,	22 y, b	Lower Canada	(ca 1827/8).
	Emily Bentley,	20 y, b	Upper Canada	(ca 1829/30).
	Miranda Bentley,	18 y, b	Upper Canada	(ca 1831/2).
	Lucinda Bentley,	**16 y, b**	**Pennsylvania**	**(ca 1833/4).**

Be364. Census Report of 1850, Michigan, Macomb Co., Sterling, taken 8.28.1850, 171/341 (p). Searcher Ed. Bentley of Seattle, WA.

No. 906/932	Tompson Bentley,	39 y, b	Canada	(ca 1810/1).
	Margaret A.,	34 y, b	NY	(ca 1815/6).
	Mary A.,	18 y, b	Canada	(ca 1831/2).
	Sarah A.,	16 y, b	PA	(ca 1833/4).
	Harriet E.,	13 y, b	Canada	(ca 1836/7).
	Hannah J.	11 y, b	Canada	(ca 1838/9).
	Margret,	8 y, b	Canada	(ca 1841/2).
	Clarissa M.,	5 y, b	Canada	(ca 1844/5).
	Saphronia C.,	4 y, b	MI	(ca 1845/6).
	Roxy M.,	3/12 y, b	MI	(ca 4/5 1850).

Be365. Census Report of 1850, Michigan, Macomb Co., Bruce Twp, 116/201 (p). Searcher Ed. Bentley of Seattle, WA.

No. 154/162	Samuel Bentley,			
	"28" (?)	(23) y, b	Canada	(ca 1826/7), farmer.
	Eursula,	23 y, b	NY	(ca 1826/7).
	Alfrida,	2 y, b	MI	(ca 1847/8).
	Meranda,	11/12 y, b	MI	(ca 1849).
	Charles,	**13 y, b**	**MI**	**(ca 1836/7).**

Be366.

Be367. Correspondence from Ed M. Bentley , Seattle, 10.9.1977, quote:

I have also enclosed the Michigan census data on the three Samuel Bentleys. I lack proof that the Samuel b about 1790 in 1850 Lapeer

Co. is the same Samuel with Samuel and Ersulah in 1870. I have **not** checked the 1860 censuses for Macomb and Lapeer Co's. But, as you can see, your info. is about the same Bentleys. . .

Additional correspondence from Ed M. Bentley of Seattle:

I have located in the MI CR, 1850—1900, a Samuel Bentley with son and grandson, Samuel, who may be descendants of Samuel who went to Ontario. The elder Samuel was b ca 1791, NY state, was in "Oregon," Lapeer Co., MI, 1850. His son Samuel Bentley was b in Canada ---- in 12. 1826. The grandson Samuel Bentley was b 3.1858, MI. The younger two were living in Bruce, Macomb Co., MI, 1900. The area where they were living is not far from the region in western Ontario where the possible descandants of Samuel (b 1746) were living.

Be368. Census Report of 1860, MI, Macomb Co., Bruce Twp: CRS, search.

Dwelling 1883, Fam. 1981.
BENTLEY
Samuel, 32, M, b Can, Farmer (illiterate).
Arsula, 31, F, b MI.
Alfreda, 13, F, b MI.
Maranda, 10, F, b MI.
Charles, 8, M, b MI.
Louisa, 5, F, b MI.
Samuel, 4, M, b MI.
Sarah, 2, F, b MI.

Be369. Census Report of 1860, MI, Macomb County; Microfilm No. **0803553**, Genealogical Soc. Lib., Salt Lake City, UT.

A. Bruce Twp, Romeo P.O.; p. 242; Dwelling 1712, Family 1787.

Wellsted, William, 24 y, m, b England, Shoemaker
Wellsted, Martha, 20 y, f, b England.
Wellsted, Frederick, 2 y, m, b MI.
Wellsted, Frank, 1 y, m, b MI.

B. Bruce Twp, Romeo P.O.; p. 244; Dwell. 1730, Fam. 1807.

Bentley, Martin O., 27 y, m, b NY, Publisher.
Bentley, Sylva N., 25 y, f, b MI.
Bentley, Maury D., 1/12 y, m, b MI.

C. Bruce Twp, Romeo P.O.; p. 264; Dwell. 1883, Fam. 1981; enum. 8.7.1860

Bently, Samuel, 32 y, m, b Canada, Farmer, illiterate.
Bently, Arusla, 31 y, f, b MI.
Bently, Alfreda 13 y, f, b MI.
Bently, Maranda, 10 y, f, b MI.
Bently, Charles, 8 y, m, b MI.
Bently, Louisa, 5 y, f, b MI.

Bently, Samuel, 4 y, m, b MI.
Bently, Sarah, 2 y, f, b MI.

D. Town of Macomb, Utica P.O.; p. 1; Dwell. 3, Fam. 3; enum. 6.1.1860.

Bentley, Perry M., 40 y, m, b NY, Farmer.
Bentley, Mary, 38 y, f, b NY.
Bentley, Mary A., 14 y, f, b NY.
Bentley, Preston M., 8 y, m, b NY.
Bentley, Frank R., 6 y, m, b MI.
Bentley, Ada M., 5 y, f, b MI.

E. Town of Sterling, no Bentl(e)ys found in search.

F. Township of Macomb, Utica P.O.

Bentley, Sophia, 65 y, f, b NY, Domestic.

Be370. Census Report of 1860, MI, Gratiot Co., Washington, Pompei P.O. (enum. 7.9.1860); Microfilm 0803543; other counties on reel, but not searched, incl. Midland, Gladwin, Manistee, Grand Traverse, and Hillsdale. Gratiot was fifth in line.

Gratiot Co., p. 185; 628/628.

(1) Brygrd (spelling?) Bentley, 48 y, M, b NY, Farmer.
(2) Bently, Fanny, 48, F, b CT.
(3) Bently, Meriah, 21, F, b NY.
(4) Bentley, Jenette, 19, F, b OH.
(5) Bently, William, 17, M, b OH.
(6) Bentley, James, 16, M, b MI.
(7) Bently, Hariott, 14, F, b MI.
(8) Bently, Oliver, 11, M, b MI.
(9) Bently, Harmliss, 9, M, b MI.
(10) Bently, Martha, 6, F, b MI.
(629/629: Squires, Alonzo, 40 y, b OH.)

Be371.

Be372. Census Report of 1860, MI, Saginaw Co. and Sanilac Co.; Microfilm 0803558. Notes by this searcher, 8.4.1978.

Chesaning Twp, p. 19, Family 168.
(1) Bentley, Henry J., 40 y, M, b NY, Merchant.
(2) Bently, Jane L., 36, F, b NY.
(3) Bently, Phoeba, 12, F, b MI.
(4) Bently, Alice, 9, F, b MI.

Identity?

Be373. 1880 (Soundex) MI **Census Report**, St. Clair Co., Port Huron City (389-27-7); searcher Ed. M. Bentley, Seattle. See Be124.

(1) Bentley, Charles M., 33 y, b Canada.
(2) Bentley, Louisa 33 y, wife, b England.
(3) *Bentley, Frederick C., 10 y, son, b Canada.
(4) Bentley, Clara E., 9 y, dtr, b MI.
(5) Bentley, Maude M., 8 y, dtr, b MI.
(6) Bentley, Walter H., 5 y, son, b MI.
(7) Bentley, Kate M., 3 y, dtr, b MI.
(8) Bentley, Charles L., 2 y, son, b MI.

***Another source:** "Fred C. Bentley, b 8.27.1869, London, Ontario."

Be374. 1900 (Soundex) MN **Census Report**, Hennepin Co., Minneapolis (447 Madison); searcher Ed. M. Bentley, Seattle.

(1) *Bentley, John O., b 8.1842, 57 y, b Canada (English).
(2) Bentley, Roxanna, b 8.1844, 55 y, b PA, wife.
(3) Bentley, Harold, b 2.1878, 22 y, b MN, son.
(4) Bentley, Carl O., b 1.1884, 16 y, b MN, son.
(5) Bentley, Nina, b 4.1888, 12 y, b SD, dtr.
(6) Bentley, Ward, b 4.1891, 9 y, b MN, son.

*Another source: "John Olcott Bentley, b 8.2.1842, Toronto, Ontario."

Be375. Correspondence from V. June (Bentley) Hook, 1255 S. Shiawassee Ave., Owosso, MI 48867, dated 11.20.1978. She planned to be graduated from college in December. Her paternal grandfather was Timothy Elias Bentley, b (according to family tradition) Lynden, MI (unk loc or co.) (**not** Linden). Her father was b in Adrian, Lenawee Co., MI. Her mother, recently deceased, suggested that "Elias" was **not** really Timothy's middle name. The "very old" family-**Bible** transcription-records were in Timothy Bentley's handwriting including the names of his father Jonathan Bentley (son of Jonathan, Sr.) and his mother Deborah (----) Bentley.

She adds that a Bentley-line informant was named Patrick Gendro (sp? Gendreau? Gendron?), son of Michael and Golda (Goldie?) (Bentley) "Gendro." Patrick disappeared about 20 y ago, should be over 50 y old now, and is probably living in CA. Another close relative of hers known only as the 55+ y old son of **Garland Harry Bentley** is also believed to be living in CA; his mother and father never married.

Ident. and class. await further evidence.

Be377.-387. Bentleys in Macomb County, MI.

On August 28, 1978, a letter was mailed to this searcher from the Assistant Museum Curator of the Macomb County Historical Society and Museum, Mount Clemens, MI (48043), indicating the following sources of information enclosed for Macomb-Co. Bentleys:

Be377. Macomb County Atlas, business listings and property locations of 1859, 1875, 1895, and 1916;

Be378. Macomb County Rural Directories, 1949, 1916;

Be379.* Macomb Birth, Death, and Marriage Records beginning in 1867;

Be380.* Macomb County Deeds;

Be381. Macomb Probate Records;

Be382. History of Macomb County, 1882;

Be383. Past and Present of Macomb County, 1905;

Be384. Index to the 1850 Michigan Census Report, "Bentl(e)y;" and

Be385. "Pageant of Progress."

Be386.* On October 2, 1978, the Museum Curator of the Macomb County Historical Society, in his letter to this searcher, enclosed information on Bentleys from **Romeo Newspaper** excerpts on cards located in the Romeo Historical Society.

Be387. Also included in correspondence were the Macomb County Cemetery Records for Bentleys, who were represented by four tombstone-inscription records.

Identification and classification of the various Bentleys who live(d) in Macomb Co., MI, is a challenge. Only a few of the Bentleys of Macomb Co. have been identified and classified by this searcher. Origins of some of the Bentleys can be traced to MI from NY from RI, whereas others can be traced to MI from Canada. The interrelationships among the members of this diverse group of Bentleys in Macomb Co. have **not** been clearly defined.

***Ident. and class.:** Samuel Bentley **(Be:FDDDFB.)** and selected descendants.

Be397.A. Archive Record "sheets" for Rufus Bentley **(Be:FDDCB.)**, Sylvester Bentley **(Be:FDDCBB.)**, Cyrenus Bentley **(Be:FDDCBF.)**, and William Cyrenus Bentley **(Be:FDDCBFAB.)**; Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT. The sources were stated as (1) Family Record of Mrs. William Cyrenus (Ida May Bushnell) Bentley in possession (at last report) of Mrs. Walter Raymond (Elsie Louise Bentley) Greenland **(Be:FDDCBFABf.)**, Pine, AZ (ca 1961); (2) Family Records of William Cyrenus Bentley **(Be:FDDCBFAB.)**, deceased, former resident of Phoenix, AZ, as quoted by Harold Shelley Bentley **(Be:FDDCBFABI.)**; and (3) the Waterman Genealogy as quoted by Mrs. Joseph Dye (Leola Gertrude Bentley) Ethington **(Be:FDDCBFABb.)** of Salt Lake City, UT.

Be397.B. Archive Record "sheet" for Russell Bentley **(Be:FDDCF.)**, son of Thomas **(Be:FDDC.)** and Russell's wife Charlotte Webster, Aaron's dtr. Their six children are named and complete birth dates are given. The only source of information given is **(The) Hist(ory) and Gen(ealogy) of Gov. John Webster of Conn**(ecticut), page 266 (see Be404.).

Be398. Barber, Gertrude A., compiler of "Otsego County, New York, Marriages from August 19, 1853, to December 30, 1875," gleaned from articles appearing in **The Otsego Herald and Western Advertiser** and **Freeman's Journal** (1932-1933), Vol. I, II, III. A copy was located in the NEGHS Library, Boston, MA, 1977.

(A) Vol. I:

Item 30. BENTLEY, Rev. N., of Hamilton, m Louisa Tennant, 9.1826, in Springfield, NY. **Ident.**?

Item 81. BENTLEY, Mary Ann, m Harris T. Slocum, 2.11.1834, Westford. **Ident.-class.**: Mary Ann Bentley **(Be:FDDCGa.)**.

Item 115. BENTLEY, Russel T., m to Saloma Pierce, 5.22.1839, Westford. **Ident.-class.**: Russel T. Bentley **(Be:FDDCED.)**.

(B) Vol. II:

Item 3. BENTLEY, Nancy, of New Lebanon, Spa., m Charles Walker of Burlington Flats, 1.20.1841, New Lebanon, Spa. **Ident.**: Nancy **(Be:FBDEBf.)**.

Item 40. BENTLEY, Geo. W., m Susan Cutter, 4.24.1845, Columbus. **Ident.**?

Item 50. BENTLEY, Barberry, m Ransom Pratt, 2.4.1846, Westford. **Ident.-class.**: Barbara Maria **(Be:FDDCEf.)**.

(C) Vol. III:

Item 8. BENTLEY, Brachie, m Robert W. Skinfer, Westford, 6.8.1854. Ident.-class.: Brachie Bentley **(Be:FDDCGd.)**.

Item 29. BENTLEY, Caroline C., m Col. Sam B. Johnson, Butternuts, 10.29.1856. **Ident.**: Caroline **(Be:FDDABBf.)** (?).

Item 32. BENTLEY, Cornelia A., m N. Y. Leet, M.D., Butternuts, 3.3.1857. **Ident.**:Cordelia **(Be:FDDABBe.)** (?).

Be399. Russel T. Bentley **(Be:FDDCED.)**, in his manuscript of 1891, wrote the names and birth years for the children of Gideon Bentley **(Be:FDDF.)**, brother of his grandfather. He also recorded the birth dates and names for Gideon's son David Bentley **(Be:FDDFM.)** and for David's son Charles Benjamin Bentley **(Be:FDDFMD.)**. Gideon's grandson Charles Benjamin Bentley moved to Appleton, WI, after 1850; Russel's brother Alverne P. Bentley **(Be:FDDCEA.)** moved to Appleton, WI, after 1850 also. Russel obtained the information while visiting him many years later.

The data added by R.T. Bentley fairly agrees with that of Teeples. The names and birth dates agree; but R.T.B. attributes the first 4 births only to Elizabeth, Gideon's first wife, and the others to Isabel. Thirteen children in all were named as Gideon's; the anon. child who d inf was omitted in both accounts.

Be400. Russel Thomas Bentley **(Be:FDDCED.)**, compiler of the "Record of the Bentley Family" manuscript in 1891, traced known descendants of his

grandfather. This manuscript comprises Part 1 of **As The Twig Is Bent**, June of 1978, by Ruth (Babington) Schmidt **(Be:FDDCEDAdb.)**, Russel's great-granddaughter, who updates the genealogy to 1975 and adds relevant stories.

Be401. Ruth Mae (Babington) Schmidt **(Be:FDDCEDAdb.)** in her well-illustrated book entitled **As The Twig Is Bent**, 1978, Merton, WI, and in her correspondence, has contributed the material relevant to the identification and classification of the selected known-descendants of Thomas Bentley **(Be:FDDC.)**.

Be402. William Burdelle Bentley **(Be:FDDCGEA.)**, added information to the handwritten copy by Russel T. Bentley. This information was included in **As The Twig Is Bent** by Ruth (Babington) Schmidt (pp 29-31, 35-37, 66, 153-159).

Be403. Frank Fay Bentley **(Be:FDDCEDCI.)**, "Bentley Scribblings," an illustrated story of the Alverne Lewellyn Bentley Family and a history included in part in **As The Twig Is Bent** by Ruth (Babington) Schmidt (pp 139-148).

Be404. History and Genealogy of Governor John Webster of Connecticut (unidentified compiler; reference was not seen by this searcher), p. 266. Charlotte Webster, dtr of Aaron and Mary (Sheppard) Webster, m Russell Bentley **(Be:FDDCF.)**. See also **Be397**.

Be405. The **Will** of Thomas Bentley, Jr. **(Be:FDDCE.)**, was proved 4.4.1843, surrogate, Cherry Valley, Otsego Co., NY; a good photo of **Will** is in R. B. Schmidt's **As The Twig Is Bent** (pp 92-93). In this **Will**, Thomas named his wife Aroa Bentley, son Alvern P. Bentley, son Russel T. Bentley, dtr Electa S. Bentley, dtr Barbary M. Bentley, son Norman G. Bentley, dtr Amelia Dorleska Bentley, and son Horatio N. Bentley. One of his eight children was **not** named in the **Will** because he, Alexander Bentley, had predeceased his father Thomas. Witnesses included William Howland, Russel Bentley, and William Bentley. The **Will** was written 1.22.1843, Westford, Otsego Co., NY.

Be406. McCrady, Archie R. **(Be:FDDCBeBcJ.)**, "The Descendants of Peter McCrady," 1.31.1953; copy of manuscript obtained from Archie's third-wife Marion (Allen) (9.28.1978), Altadena, CA 91001.

Be407. Biographical Review of Otsego County, New York, Boston: Biog. Review Pub. Co., 1893; pp. 286-287.

Be408.A. Correspondence written by C. Eugene Bentley **(BE:FDDAEII.)**, June 21, 1949, 541 Rutherford Ave., Redwood City, CA, and sent to Roy Bentley **(Be:FDDACEHC.)**, 3008 W. Genesee, Lapeer, MI. A copy of the typewritten letter was sent to this searcher from James C. Bentley **(Be:FDDACEHCC.)**, RR 2, Box 18A, Gulf Breeze, FL (32561), September of 1978.

Be408.B. Correspondence written by C. Eugene Bentley **(Be:FDDAEII.)**, August 30, 1949, Redwood City, CA, to J. C. Bentley **(Be:FDDACEHCC.)**, 9

Brooks Ave., Newport, RI. In 9.1978, J. C. Bentley sent a copy to this searcher **(Be:FDDDABecEA.)** residing in Long Beach, CA, from Gulf Breeze, FL.

Be408.C. Partially documented **manuscript** of six pages "typed by C. Eugene Bentley **(Be:FDDAEII.)**, Redwood City, Calif.," was sent to James C. Bentley. The single-spaced typewriting (Pica) was dated 1950—May 3 (pages 1 and 2), May 4 (pages 3 and 4), May 5 (page 5), and May 9 (page 6). The ms. was entitled "Synopsis of One branch of the Bentley Family in America." The documentation leaves much to be desired. Other compilations (secondary sources). (tertiary?) appeared to have been consulted; primary documentary evidence is lacking. The sources that **are** given are in several instances so abbreviated as not to be recognizable. The origin of the Rhode Island Bentley-progenitor WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y **(Be:F.)** of Kingstown (referred to as "Settler of North Kingstown, Rhode Island") is stated as probably being "Oulton, Eng.," where he was purportedly "bv. abt. 1645" allegedly the "Son of Thos. Bentley of Oulton, b abt 1625," and grandson of "Thomas Bentley born at High Bentley about 1600." WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y'S **Will** of 1720 is mentioned and his children are named. The "issue" for each of the children appeared also on pages 2 and 3 and 4. Six sons of Benjamin, son of Thomas, son of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y, were named in this order:

(1) Caleb, (2) Joseph, (3) Thomas, (4) Samuel, (5) Benjamin, and (6) Gideon. Caleb (1) was C. Eugene Bentley's great-grandfather as stated. Caleb's offspring were named as (1) Sarah, b 5.12.1764; (2) Hannah, b 2.12.1766; (3) William, b 1.17.1768; (4) Nathan, b 1.24.1777; (5) Isaac, b 2.28.1779; (6) Elizabeth or Betsy, b 2.28.1781; (7) Sarah or Sally, b 3.4.1783; and (8) Randall Spencer, b 4.23.1787. C. Eugene Bentley stated that his grandparent was Isaac Bentley (5). As the progeny of Thomas Bentley, son of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y, he named (1) William, b 1707; (2) Benjamin Bentley, b 1709; (3) Thomas, b 1717; (4) Sarah, b ca 1713; and (5) Jane, b ca 1718. How he arrived at these birth dates for the last five named is unknown to this searcher. Traced also was the descent of James C. Bentley **(Be:FDDACEHCC.)**, naming each of his Bentley ancestors from the Bentley-progenitor WILLIAM. Some of his data was admittedly sketchy. Items which this searcher had not already obtained from other sources but appeared to be relevant and both valid and reliable have been so indicated in this publication.

Be409.A. Correspondence written by Earle Garfield Winston **Be:FDCDDdBDB.)**, June 26, 1949, Clermont, Lake Co., FL, and sent to Commander J. C. Bentley **(Be:FDDACDHCC.)**, 130-B Niagara, The Anchorage, Middlton, RI. A copy from J. C. Bentley, now Captain, U.S.N., Retired, of Gulf Breeze, FL, was received by this searcher **(Be:FDDDABecEA.)** in 9.1978.

Be409.B. Correspondence written by Earle Garfield Winston **Be:FDCDDdBDB.)**, August 19, 1949, Box 136, Clermont, FL, to Commander James C.

Bentley, 9 Brooks Ave., Newport, RI. A copy of the correspondence was sent by James C. Bentley, Captain, U.S.N., Retired, Gulf Breeze, FL, to this searcher in 9.1978.

Be420. Check the possibility of Loyalists (Revolutionary War) moving from Northampton County, Pennsylvania, to Markham Twp, York Co., Ontario, Canada (*e.g.*, Maar; others?).

Be425. Death Certificates, Information Extracted for Genealogy; Office of the Registrar General, MacDonald Block, Parliament Buldings, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M7A 1Y5.

(1) **Almira (Bentley) Winmill** or **Almira Hannah Bentley Serls Winmill**, d December 11, 1922, Goderich, Huron County, Ontario, at age of 88 years and 9 months, housewife. Names of parents were incorrectly stated.

(2) **James Winmill**, d October 25, 1920, West Wawanosh Twp., Huron County, Ontario, at age 85 years, b Quebec City, Farmer, son of **Thomas Winmill**.

Ident. and Class.: ALMIRA HANNAH BENTLEY, IV.4., Be:FDDDABe., Ba:Aae., whose first husband was **JOHN SARLES, IV.3., Sa:CDF., Sh:AeJ.**, and whose second husband was **James Winmill.**

Be426. Correspondence between Mrs. Clifford H. (Ruth Millicent Taylor) Turner (**Be:FDDADEide.**), Lakefield, ON (KOL-2HO) and this cousin-searcher occurred in 1979. Her letters were dated (1) 1.20.1979, (2) 3.22.1979, (3) 5.11.1979, and (4) 6.6.1979. Ruth quoted from (1) notes made and kept by her mother Mrs. William C. (Millie Merle Daley) Taylor (deceased) and from (2) the notes and **Bible** transcription records written by her maternal grandmother Mrs. Robert John (Lucinda Bentley) Daley (deceased), a meticulous note-keeper who lived with her dtr and g-dtr Ruth for several years before her death in 1939. Ruth's grandmother was a dtr of Nathan Bentley, **Jr.** (**Be:FDDADE.**). Nathan was a farmer, b 4.8.1811, Van Buren ("**Warners** Corners"), Onondaga Co., NY, and d 8.7.1874, Pickering Twp., Ontario, Canada.

Be441. The **Family Group Record** for Jacob Teeples was quoted information received by this searcher in a telephone conversation with Jacob's descendant Mr. Boyd (Rachel Teeples) Tenneg, Senator Hwy, Prescott, AZ (86301), on 7.5.1979.

Be442. The **Family Group Record** of George Bentley Teeples and his first wife Hulda Clarinda Colby. Sources of information were unspecified family-records likely including **Bible** transcription-records. A copy of this record and photos of G.B.T. and each of his children by two marriages, was seen by this searcher at the home of George's great-grandson Lloyd Anthony Larson of San Gabriel, CA, on 6.29.1979. The record is also on file in the GSL, Salt Lake City. The "family representative" who recorded the data was none other than George's great-granddaughter Mrs. Leslie W. (Alvera Teeples) Jones, Jr. (see also Be452.).

Be443. The **Family Group Record** of Mrs. Leslie W. (Alvera Teeples) Jones, Jr., of 2170 Logan Ave., Salt Lake City, UT (1979) is on file at the Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City.

Be444. A long-distance telephone-conversation between Mrs. Leslie W. (Alvera Teeples) Jones of Salt Lake City and this searcher of Long Beach, 7.5.1979. Ident.: Alvera Teeples, **Be:FBLfDLCc.**

Be445. The **Family Group Record** of Sidney Teeples, son of George Bentley Teeples. Sources of information include family b-, m-, and d-certificates and likely **Bible** transcription-records. The information was recorded by Mrs. Leslie W. (Alvera Teeples) Jones, Jr. A copy of this record was seen by this searcher on 6.29.1979, at the home of Sidney's grandson Lloyd A. Larson of San Gabriel, CA.

Be446. The **Family Group Record** of John Anthon Larson whose spouse was Ellison Gourley Teeples, dtr of Sidney Teeples and the mother of Lloyd Anthony Larson. Lloyd showed to this searcher a copy of this record at his San Gabriel, CA, home on 6.29.1979. Sources include birth, baptismal, and death certificates and other unspecified family records.

Be447. The **Family Group Record** of Lloyd Anthony Larson of San Gabriel, CA, son of John Anthon Larson and Ellison Gourley Teeples, was shown to this searcher during the interview at Lloyd's San Gabriel home on 6.29.1979. Also, photographs of Lloyd's parents, wife, children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren were displayed.

Lloyd and this searcher had known each other for years as Comrades in the Temple City Post 279 of the American Legion before the discovery of their relationship at the meeting on June 6, 1979. Unknown then by Lloyd, their closest common-ancestor was none other than progenitor WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y of Ampthill, Bedfordshire (England) and Kingstown (Rhode Island) (**Be:F.**)!!! This truly amazing discovery called for a tercentenary celebration. Ident.: Lloyd Anthony Larson, **Be:FBLfDDeB.**

Be448. Interview with Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd A. Larson of San Gabriel, CA, was the means by which this searcher obtained the information regarding their grandchildren and great-grandchildren. The information was supported by the primary type of documentary evidence — birth certificates and photographs.

Be449. A long-distance telephone-conversation between Mrs. Boyd (Rachel Teeples) Tenneg, Senator Hwy, Prescott, AZ (86301), and this searcher was carried on for a few minutes on July 5, 1979. Class.: Rachel Teeples, **Be:FBLfDLCa.**

Be450. "Family Group" sheet for John Henry Teeples (submitted by Alvera Teeples Jones). Sources of information (not pinpointed) for b, m, or d of parents and offspring: (1) obituaries in **Deseret News**; (2) funeral, death, and burial records; (3) family records of John Teeples and Rachel Tenney; and (4) historical notes of John Teeples, Eliz. Teeples, and Rachel Tenney.

Be451. "Family Group" sheet for Jacob Amos Teeples, son of George Bentley Teeples and father of John Henry Teeples (submitted by Alvera Teeples Jones). Sources of information (not pinpointed) for b, m, or d of parents and offspring: (1) historical notes of Rachel (Teeples) Tenney and Alvera (Teeples) Jones, (2) records of John Teeples, and (3) family records of Lewella (Teeples) Frandsen, Elsie Teeples, and Belle Hansen.

Be452. "Family Group" Sheet for George Bentley Teeples (see also Be442.) and **second** wife Johanna Case Worden and their four offspring. The family representative was granddaughter Alvera (Teeples) Jones.

Be473. For **Heads of Families at the First Census of the United States Taken in the Year 1790 — Pennsylvania**, regarding the Bentl(e)ys listed, see Reference S.126. (Ba:A.sources) (Badgerow Family Group).

Be560. Correspondence of 8.11.1978, from Mrs. Fred L. (Twyla Sparks) Hedges (**Be:FDDFHFda.**), 2412 Connor Ave., Joplin, MO (64801), now deceased, to Mrs. Elsie (Bentley) Rusell of Sacramento, CA.

Be561.

Be562. Correspondence of 12.22.1941, from the Director of the Bureau of Census, Dept. of Commerce, Washington, DC, sent to the State Public Welfare Commission, Spalding Bldg, Portland, Or, regarding Charles William Bentley (**Be:FDDFHDE.**) 2038 Cherry Street, Baker, OR. Reference is made to the 1880 Census (Report) taken June 1, Shoal Creek, Newton Co., Missouri: **Bentley, Charles W.**, son, age 5, place of birth — Missouri; enumerated with the family of George W. Bentley.

Be563. "Family Group Sheet" for Charles William Bentley (**Be:FDDFHDE.**). Were the dates taken from a **Bible** transcription-record? Data is in possession of Mrs. Elsie (Bentley) Russell of Sacramento, CA (1979).

Be564. Death Certificate of Henrietta (Rundall) Bentley, widow, mother of informant Elsie M. Russell of Sacramento, CA. Date and place of death: 11.21.1977. A copy of this document is in Elsie's possession; the original document is on file in the Sacramento Co. Dept. of Public Health.

Be565. Correspondence dated 1.6.1978, regarding "School Census Record of School District #5," from the Supt. of Baker Co. Intermediate Educ. Dist., Baker, OR. The record was dated Nov. 1919, for Elsie Bentley, age 7 y, dtr of Chas. and Henrietta. Additional information given: born August 16, 1912, Burley, Idaho. A copy of the correspondence is in the possession of the recipient, Mrs. Elsie (Bentley) Russell, Sacramento, CA (1979).

Be566. Marriage Certificate, dated 12.23.1951, Reno, Washoe Co., NV, for William R. Russell, Newark, Licking Co., OH, and Elsie M. Coleman, Oakland, Alameda Co., CA, by Stephen C. Thomas, Methodist Minister.

Be567. ID-Class.: William Bentley, Be:FDDFH.; Register of Deaths, IA-23-265, Apanoose Co., IA, rec 4.20.1882. Copy received by Elsie Russell, 8.30.1979. This is the evidence that corroborates the birth date(s) proving William **was** b **11.27.1796**, and he therefore **is** the son of Gideon (Sr.), **Be:FDDF.** Compare with **p. 1496** (and Be73.). **William Bently**, mar., sadler, b NY state, res 10 y IA; d 3.3.1882, *ae* 86 y 3 m 6 d, Pleasant Twp, Apanoose Co., IA; bur 3.4.1882, Mendota, MO (verified by newsp. **obit.** naming **dtr Mary**). This **same birth date** appears on a record of births of Gideon's children for "William" Bentley.

Be568. Marriage Certificate, dated 10.15.1905, LaGrande, OR, for Charles Bentley and Henrietta Rundall, by O.H. King, Minister of the Gospel. Copy is in possession of their dtr Mrs. Elsie (Bentley) Russell of Sacramento, CA (1979).

Be569. Hollywood Presbyterian Hospital **Birth Certificate**, for William Michael Russell, b 10.14.1953, 3:45 pm, Los Angeles, CA, "child of William R. and Elsie M." Copy is in possession of his mother Mrs. Elsie (Bentley) Russell of Sacramento (1979).

Be570. Baptismal Records, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Baltimore, MD, copy of Church Records in the Geneal. Soc. Lib., SLC, UT, including baptismal date of 3.30.1805 for Jane McDowell, dtr of Hamilton and Jane.

Be571. Various newspaper clippings of sports sections in collection of Mrs. Elsie (Bentley) Russell of Sacramento, CA, mother of football-player William Michael (Mike) ("Bullet") Russell (Be:FDDFHDEaA.).

Be572. The 4-page handwritten account (**verbatim**) without signature which is attributed to Charles W. Bentley (**Be:FDDFHDE.**) by his daughter Mrs. Elsie (Bentley) Russell (**Be:FDDFHDEa.**) of Sacramento, CA. Elsie has the original copy in her possession (1979).

Be573. Correspondence in July of 1979, received from Elsie (Bentley) Russell (**Be:FDDFHDEa.**) of 6441 Matterhorn Dr., Sacramento, CA (95842) (tele. 916-331-1074).

Be574. "Family Group Sheet" for William Bentley (**Be:FDDF.**), son of Gideon and Elizabeth ("Neagurs") Bentley; on file in the Geneal. Soc. Lib., SLC, UT, and copy in possession of Mrs. Elsie (Bentley) Russell. "Source information" is given without pinpoint documentation as:

(A) 1830 CR, Newark, Licking Co., OH, p 394;
(B) 1840 CR, Greenfield, Hancock Co., IN, p 452;
(C) 1850 CR, Pike Co., IL (Perry Twp);
(D) Sullivan Co., MO, Marriage Rec. of Mary Bentley;
(E) Rec. of William H. Bentley, Baker Co., OR;
(F) Wm H. Bentley, I.O.O.F., -----, OR; and
(G) Saratoga Co., NY, 1878, pp 99, 513 (?).

Be575. Correspondence of 12.5.1978, sent by Pearl R. Jones, Historian, Baker Co. Lib., 2400 Resort St., Baker, OR (97814), to searcher Mrs. Elsie (Bentley) Russell, 6441 Matterhorn Dr., Sacramento, CA.

A. Obituary in **Baker Herald** newspaper, 6.19.1914, read that W.H. Bentley, a pioneer of Baker, d "yesterday," at the I.O.O.F. home, Portland, OR, of cancer. "He never married and his only known relative is a niece in Centralia, Washington."

B. The **Funeral and Death Notice** from a mortuary in Baker, OR, read that W.H. Bentley d at the I.O.O.F. home in Portland, 6.18.1914, ae. 83 y 2 m 24 d; he was b 3.24.1831.

C. In the **Baker City Directory, 1905**, W. H. Bentley was listed as Notary Public.

D. The **Baker City Directory, 1908-09**, read that **W.H. Bentley** resided at 1105 Place St., where a **James Bentley** also resided.

E. CR 1880, Baker, OR, identified W.H. Bentley, as white, male, age 49, single, carpenter, b Ohio, father b New York, mother b Maryland.

Be576. The compendium entitled **History of Baker, Grant, Malheur, and Harney Counties** (in Oregon), pub. (name? -date?). Mrs. Elsie (Bentley) Russell of Sacramento sent this searcher a 2-page copy in July of 1979.

Be577. Correspondence of 2.1.1979, from Adm. Ass't, Odd Fellows Home of Oregon (Holgate Center), 3320 SE Holgate, Portland, OR (97202), to Mrs. Elsie (Bentley) Russell. Regarding William H. Bentley: "The application for entrance into the home had no mention of relatives or next of kin. Available data included: b OH, 3.24.1831, d Portland, OR, 6.18.1914; joined Odd Fellow Lodge, 3.21.18881, Wingville, OR; farmer. The Wingville Lodge consolidated with the Baker City #25 on 5.8.1925.

Be578. "Family Group Sheet" for George William Bentley, William's son, filed in GSL, SLC, UT. G.W. Bentley had 2 CH (James and Isabelle) by his **first** m to Mary Slack, and he had 4 CH (Alva, Grace, Charles, and Maude **Pearl**) by his **second** m to Sarah (Sally) A. Slack. The Slack wives were **cousins**. He was m **thirdly** to Rebecca Johnson and **fourthly** to Florence Eldredge. References, not pinpointed, include:

A. Sullivan Co. Marriage Rec., Vol. 2, Ellsworth; Mary and George Bentley, 12.19.1861.

B. Marriage Certificate for Sarah Slack and George William Bentley.

Be579. Declaration for Invalid Pension made by George Bentley, at age 52 y, in 1891. Copy in possession of Elsie (Bentley) Russell, Sacramento (1979).

Be580. Declaration for Pension by George Bentley at age 69 y, 2.19.1907.

Be581. Obituary, Joplin Globe newspaper, 1.10.1941, for **Mrs. Belle (Bentley) Doerge**. Her husband W.C. Doerge d 11.2.1938 (quote). Survivors were **her dtr** Mrs. Charles R. Warden, 1931 Pennsylvania Ave., Joplin, MO,

and **two brothers** Alvin Bentley of Durant, OK, and Charles Bentley of Baker, OR. **Note:** According to Mrs. Elsie (Bentley) Russell of Sacramento, Mrs. C.R. Warden's maiden name was **Pearl Doerge**.

Be582. Marriage Record, Vol. 2, Sullivan Co., MO, for George Bentley and Mary E. Slack, m 12.19.1861.

Be583. Marriage Certificate for George Bentley and Sarah Slack, 12.25.1869, Linn Co., MO, m by A.C. Fields, Minister.

Be584. Obituary notices for George W. Bentley in the **Joplin Globe**, Joplin, MO, dated 1.20.1900, for "Rebecka J. Bentley," and 5.27.1907, for "George W. Bentley." Copies are in possession of Elsie (Bentley) Russell of Sacramento.

Be585. "Teacher's Certificate, Indian Territory, Second Grade," #31, Muscogee, Ind. Terr., July 1, 1902, for Alva Bentley, two years, Choctau Nation.

Be590. Beaman, Alden Gamaliel, P. O. 585, East Princeton, MA 01517, compiler, author, publisher, of the periodical entitled **Rhode Island Genealogical Register**, Volume 1, No. 2, October 1978. In his article entitled "A Line of Descent from William Bentley of Kingstown," he includes the "Family of Ezekiel (4) Bentley" compiled by Mrs. Cyril M. Edmunds; the article is on pages 91-103. The sources are stated collectively by family; five groups of sources are given. Specific sources for specific items are not detailed.

The Bentley-family progenitor WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y of Kingstown, RI Colony, and his wife SARAH are named. None of the birth dates for the first and second generations were given in month, day, and year or appear to be documented as such. Beaman "identifies" WILLIAM BENTLEY'S CH as: (1) William, b ca 1676; (2) James, b ca 1677; (3) Thomas, b (ca) 1697; (4) Jane, b ca 1681; (5) Benjamin, b ca 1683; and (6) "Robert ?," b ca 1685. Thirteen CH of William, son of WILLIAM, are named as are the twenty CH of Caleb, son of WILLIAM'S son William. Dr. Beaman presents the family of his ancestor Penelope Bentley, who m Eber Sherman; Mrs. Edmunds presents the family of Penelope's brother Ezekial, son of Caleb. Another son of Caleb was named "Caleb" also, the husband of Nancy Northup; these Bentleys may quite probably be the "elusive ancestors" of Edwin M. Bentley of Seattle, WA, who has corresponded with Beaman in the past.

Ident. and class.: WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y **(Be:F.)**. his son William **(Be:FB.)**, b 1677 (Be111., see); Caleb Bentley **(Be:FBD.)** and his son Caleb Bentley **(Be:FBDE.)**, his son Ezekiel or Ezekial Bentley **(Be:FBDO.)**, and his dtr Penelope **(Be:FBDj.)**.

Be591.

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Be593. Arnold, J. N., **Vital Record of Rhode Island**, Vol. 5, "South Kingstown, Marriages," p. 8 (SK 2:2). Samuel Bentley, of Caleb and Anne, and Martha Adams, of Ebenezer; by Rev. William Northup, 11.15.1798. **Ident.?:** See Samuel Bentley, **Be:FBDEA.**

Be594. Arnold, *ibid.*, "Exeter," pp. 11 and 43 (Exeter 3:11). Anna Bentley m Jan. 12, 1766, James Coldgrove; CH: Susannah, Dorcas, Sarah, Russell.

Be595. *Ibid.*, "South Kingstown," p. 39 (SK 1:108). Dorcas Bentley was maried on 12.15.1763, SK to Josiah Sherman, by Jeremiah Crandall, Justice.

Be596. *Ibid.*, "South Kingstown," p. 32 (SK 1:108). Elizabeth Bentley, m Nov. 6, 1763, to Reward Tabor, by Jeremiah Crandall, Justice.

Be597. *Ibid.*, "South Kingstown," p. 8 (SK 1:68). George Bentley, m March 4, 1723/4, to Ruth Barber; by Rouse Helme, Assistant.

Be598. Beaman, Gamaliel Alden (Alden G.), searcher-researcher ca 1966, relying on a mixture of primary and secondary documentary sources, named the 20 offspring of **his ancestor Caleb Bentley** and identified each in birth order stating the approximate dates of birth to one or the other wives of Caleb. The data appears on a currently available and referred-to "Archive Record" sheet in the L.D.S. G.S.L., Salt Lake City, UT.

A letter, sent from Alden to this searcher in May of 1978, contained the information that Caleb's father was William — son of WILLIAM BENTLEY, the RI-Bentley Progenitor.

The "Archive Record" should be corrected; it incorrectly bears the names of Thomas Bentley and Elizabeth Chamberlain as the parents of Caleb Bentley, the father of Penelope Bentley who m Eber Sherman. In the "Archive Record" G.A. Beaman states that the CH of Caleb and Dorcas (Gould) Bentley (the 1st m) were given in this birth order: (1) Oliver, (2) Elizabeth ("wife of Record Tabor"), (3) Gideon, (4) Dorcas, (5) Caleb, (6) Ann, (7) William, (8) John, (9) Mary, (10) Penelope, (11) Waite, and (12) Sarah Bentley; the CH of Caleb and Tabitha (Gould) Bentley (the 2nd m) were placed in this order of birth: (13) Gould, (14) Thomas, (15) Ezekial, (16) Ebenezer, (17) Gideon, (18) Norman, (19) Arnold, and (20) Tabitha Dorcas Bentley. For some of them, he included spouses, m and d dates. All the CH were b Exeter, RI, according to Beaman. Stated sources are clumped together at bottoms of three sheets; no attempt was made to relate specific data with precise documentation. This searcher has no reason to distrust the tentative classification of Caleb's offspring and selected descendants. See Caleb's **Will**.

Dr. G.A. Beaman is compiling a manuscript to be published about his Bentley forebearers (1978).

Be599. Will of Caleb Bentley **(Be:FBD.)**. Council and Probate Record Book 5:126, 127, 128, and a 2-page inventory, **Will** of Caleb Bentley, written 1.13.1790, proved 2.7.1792, Exeter, RI.

Caleb Bentley, of the Town of **Exeter** in the County of Washington of the State of Rhode Island, Yeoman; Will written 1.13.1790; dwelling house in Exeter, farm in Exeter of 120 acres bounded Westerly on a Highway, Southerly on Land of Stephen James in part and partly on Land belonging to Nathan Willcox and part on William James, Easterly or Northerly on Timothy Lawton, Land Northern Part on David More Land and part on Land of Silas More "equally to Be Divided between my Sons in quantity and Quality."

Mentioned in the **Will** are the following persons:

1. Son Oliver.
2. Grandson Benedict Bentley, son of son Gideon deceased.
3. Son Caleb.
4. Son William.
5. Grandson Benjamin Bentley, son of son John deceased.
6. Grandson Lawdwick Taber, son of (unnamed dtr, deceased).
7. Daughter Dorcas Shearman.
8. Daughter Anna Colgrove.
9. Daughter Mary Tefft.
10. Daughter Penelopy Shearman.
11. Daughter Waty Peckham.
12. Daughter Sarah Chappall.
13. Daughter Tabithy Bentley.
14. Wife Tabathy and Wife Tabithy (same).
15. Son Gold.
16. Son Thomas.
17. Son Ezekial.
18. Son Nezer.
19. Son Norman.
20. Son Gideon.
21. Son Arnold.
22. Witness Joseph James.
23. Witness Elizabeth Lambeth.
24. Witness Thomas Lillibridge.
25. Council Clerk Stephen Reynolds.

The names in the inventory recorded 10.27.1793, were:

1. Stephen Peckham.
2. Frederick Chappel (1792)
3. Eber Shearman (1793).
4. Tabithy Tanner (1793).

5. Nathan Willcox.
6. Joseph Taber (1793).
7. Jonas Tanner.

Be600. Bentley, Mrs. Edward M. (Mary Merrill, Daniel's dtr), "William Bentley of Lebanon, Connecticut, 16-- to 1751, and His Descendants," 1925; 30-page typewritten ms. based upon the material collected and data compiled over 65 years, the search and research for which was initiated by the compiler's father-in-law Rev. Edward W. Bentley, DD, of CT-Bentley descent. Well established is the fact that William Bentley of Lebanon, CT, m Mary Eliot. Mary Eliot was **not** the spouse of William Bentley, WILLIAM'S son, of RI. The parents of "William Bentley of Lebanon, Connecticut" are **not** named in the compilation. Copies of this ms. are in the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library, Boston, MA, and in the Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT.

Rev. Edward Warren Bentley, DD, was the son of William, son of Charles, son of William, son of William and Mary (Elliot) Bentley of Stonington and Lebanon, CT. **Extracts from the ms.:**

> The earliest record yet found of this William is this publishment of the banns of his marriage to Mary Elliot, April 21, 1703, and the church record of the marriage.
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> The Diary of Manasseh Minor, Stonington, CT, in the Historical Society, Hartford, CT, contains the words '**Willem bentle published**' dated **March 21, 1703.**
>
> William Bentley and Mary, daughter of Henry Elliot and (spouse) Deborah (Bell) York, were married April 21, 1703, by the Rev. James Noyes, according to the Town Records of Stonington, records of the Church of Chirst in Stonington, and the List of Marriages by Rev. James Noyes.
>
> William Bentley and wife Mary owned the Covenant and their daughter Mary was baptized 5 June, 1704.
>
> William, son of William Bentley, was baptized 9 November, 1707.
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> The Rev. Dr. E. W. Bentley, who made extended search of family records 1860-5, advanced the theory that William was the son of John, a half-brother of the famous Scholar, Dr. Richard Bentley of Trinity College, Cambridge, England, but he left no data to indicate his authority, and the dates he gives do **not** agree with town records.
>
> This William is never designated 'Junior' which would indicate that his father's name was **not** William, or that he was **not** living in the vicinity or that he was dead at the time of his son's marriage.

Edward Warren Bentley of Ellenville, Ulster Co., NY. . . was born 7.23.1826, in the hamlet of Coleshire, then called Tyringham, now Monterey, MA. He was graduated from Yale College in 1850, and from the Hartford Theological Seminary (then located at East Windsor, CT) in 1854. He was m 5.1.1854, to Emily Humphrey, dtr of Loin of Canton, CT. He took

his bride to Ellenville, NY, where he had accepted a call to the Dutch Reformed Church in that place. Here his CH were b, and here he and wife were bur. by the side of their first-born. He received the D.D. degree from NYU. He was known and loved as "Dominie Bentley" throughout Ulster Co. E. W. Bentley d 10.23.1886, Canton, CT. Edward Manross Bentley the second-born of five CH, m Mary Merrill, who completed the ms.

Be601. Nugent, N. M., **Cavaliers and Pioneers, Abstracts of Virginia Land Patents and Grants, 1623—1800**, Richmond, VA: Dietz, 1934, Vol. 1 (of 5 vols.), p. 5 (Patent Book No. 1—Part 1. The abstracting and indexing was done by Nell Marion Nugent of the Virginia Land Office, Richmond, VA.

> "**WILLIAM BENTLEY**, 50 acres, Dec. 1, 1624, Page 24. In the Corp. of Elizabeth City, a new planter who came to this country at his own charges in the **Jacob** in 1624. As his first divident, between Newport News and Blunt Point, adj. Giles Allington and Thos. Godbye.

Elizabeth City (a former Co. in VA), since 1958, comprises the independent city of Hampton. Description from **Webster's New Geographical Dictionary**, 1977: Independent city, SE VA, on Hampton Roads 7 mi NE of Newport News; 57 sq. m., pop. (1970 c) 120,779. Settled by colonists from Jamestown 1610 (oldest continuous English community in America); burned by British in War of 1812 and by its own inhabitants to prevent occupation by Union troops 1861; incorporated as city 1908; consolidated with Elizabeth City Co. 1952.

This searcher has located **no** documentary evidence that the above named William Bentley of Elizabeth City, VA, is in any way genealogically related to William Bentley of Kingstown (now North Kingstown), RI.

Be602. Savage, James, **A Genealogical Dictionary of the First Settlers of New England**, Vol. 1, p. 169.

> **Bentley, John**, Charlestown,* perhaps s. of William, d 20 Nov. 1690. **Richard,** Charlestown, in 1690 had w. **Margaret**. **William**, a passeng. to Boston, 1635, aged 47, in the **Truelove**, with **John**, 17, and **Alice**, 15, perhaps his ch. but where he pitch. his tent, is unkn. to me, as also is any thing a. **Mary**, a passeng. the same yr. in the **Defense**, aged 20. Bentley is a parish in the deanery of Doncaster, and s. part of Yorksh.

This searcher has located **no** documentary evidence that the man named "William Bentley" or any of the other persons named "Bentley" above are in any way genealogically related to William Bentley of Kingstown (now North Kingstown), RI.

Be680. In 1912, an interesting compilation appeared on the scene entitled **Genealogical and Family History of Central New York . . .**, compiled under

*Charlestown was a former city of Middlesex Co., MA, since 1874, part of Boston; founded about 1628, oldest part of Boston.

the editorial supervision of William Richard Cutter, A.M., the corresponding secretary and historian of The New England Historic Genealogical Society, Boston, and published by Lewis Pub. Co., NY. On pages 869-871, the following report was made on the Bentley family (enciphered classification added).

William Bentley (**Be:F.**), immigrant ancestor, first appears in this country in Kingston, Rhode Island. He was a currier by trade, and is first mentioned[1] on the records, July 29, 1679, when he and forty-one others of Narragansett sent a petition to the King, asking that "he would put an end to these differences about the government thereof, which hath been so fatal to the prosperity of the place; animosities still arising in people's minds, as they stand affected to this or that government." He was taxed in 1687. In April, 1705, he had liberty granted by the town to set up a house convenient for the carrying on of his currying trade. On January 20, 1712, he and his wife, Sarah (Leithfield)[2] Bentley, deeded to their son James one hundred and twenty-eight acres of land; on June 14, 1714, he bought eleven acres; November 1, 1715, he deeded to his son Thomas the eleven acres mentioned above. In 1720 his will was executed and proved, with his wife and son Benjamin as executors. To his eldest son he left five shillings, and a like amount to sons James and Thomas and daughter Jane Whitman. To his wife the remainder of his personal property was left. He married Sarah Leithfield,[3] and they both died in 1720.[4] Children: William (**Be:FB.**), mentioned below; James (**Be:FC.**); Thomas (**Be:FD.**); Benjamin (**Be:FE.**), died 1744;[5] Jane (**Be:Fa.**) married, January 6, 1700, John Wightman.

(II) William (2) (**Be:FB.**), son of William (I) Bentley (**Be:F.**), was born about 1680. He lived in Kingston, Westerly, Richmond, Rhode Island. He was made freeman in 1712. He made his will, August 16, 1748, and it was proved August 12, 1760. His wife Bathsheba was executrix. To his eldest son (**Be:FBA.**, *i.e.*, John), he left five shillings, he having had his share, and a like amount to sons George (**Be:FBB.**), Caleb (**FeFBD.**) and Ezekial (**BeFBE.**), and daughters Elizabeth Potter (**Be:FBc.**), Tabitha Sweet (**Be:FBf.**), Ruhama James (**Be:FBg.**) and Mary James (**Be:FBh.**). He left to his wife all his household goods and movable estate. His wife was to sell the homestead and house when son Benjamin (**Be:FBM.**) came to the age of fourteen and divide the proceeds equally among the five youngest children. To his wife was left also the income of the entire estate, to bring up the five youngest children. He died in 1760. He married (first), April 21, 1703, Mary Eliot.[6] He married (second),

[1]The petition is **not** the record first mentioning William Bentl(e)y of Narragansett.

[2]No proof has been found for **SARAH'S** maiden surname.

[3]Either in error or hypothetical.

[4]He d 1720; she d 1731 (**Be111.**, see).

[5]Death date appears to be in error.

[6]Mary Eliot was the wife of a different William Bentl(e)y (**Be600.**, see).

August 1, 1734, Bathsheba (----) Lewis, widow of Israel Lewis. She died in 1760. Children of first wife: John (**Be:FBA.**); George (**Be:FBB.**), mentioned below; Caleb (**Be:FBD.**); Ezekiel (**Be:FBE.**); Elizabeth (**Be:FBc.**); Tabitha (**Be:FBf**); Ruhama (**Be:FBg.**); Mary (Be:FBh.). Children of second wife: William (**Be:FBI.**), born May 29, 1735; Thomas (**Be:FBJ.**); James (**Be:FBK.**), born June 6, 1739; Greene (**Be:FBL.**), March 25, 1741-42; Benjamin (**Be:FBM.**), June 11, 1744. William Bentley and wife, Mary,* owned the covenant at Stonington, June 5, 1704, and their children, John and Mary were baptized there.*

(III) George (**Be:FBB.**), son of William (2) Bentley, was born about 1705 in Rhode Island. It is said that he married Jane Carson. He settled in Stonington, and George Bentley married there, March 4, 1723-24, Ruth Barber. Among their children was Caleb (**Be:FBBH.**), born May 20, 1742, settled at Berlin, New York, was supervisor, died there March 5, 1827, aged eighty-four years; came from Stonington, Connecticut, and settled at Berlin, Rensselaer county, New York; captain in the revolution under Colonel Stephen John Schuyler, and also served in the Sixth Regiment, Albany County Militia (p. 94, "New York in the Revolution").

(IV) William (3) Bentley (**Be:FBB?.**) (**Be:F--.**), **believed** to be a brother of Caleb, and son of George Bentley, was born about 1745. Joseph (**Be:F--.**) was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, son of George Bentley, (**Be:FBB.**) and presumably, therefore, brother of Caleb and William (p. 39, Bentley Family). Uriah (**Be:FBBHA.**) Bentley, who was a son of Caleb came from Rensselaer county to Chautauqua county in May, 1810, and settled on lot No. 9, township 2, range 12, on the north part of the town of Busti. Uriah was born in Berlin, Rensselaer county, New York, June 21, 1779, and married December 28, 1800, Nancy Sweet, born May 7, 1779. Joshua Bentley (**Be:F--.**) settled in what is now Ellington in 1812 and kept a tavern for a number of years; his son, Joshua, Jr. (**Be:F--.**), came from Stephentown, Rensselaer county, and settled on lot No. 15, September 1, 1815. Gardner Bentley (**Be:F--.**) came to Ellington or at any rate he bought land there in May, 1822. Elder Bentley (**Be:F--.**), brother of Joshua Bentley, settled on lot No. 15 at Ellington (pp. 23-24-25, Bentley Family).

(V) Reuben Bentley (**Be:FBB?.** or **Be:FBB??.**), son **or** grandson of William (3) Bentley (**Be:FBB?.**), was of the Rensselaer county branch, his ancestors coming thither from Stonington, Connecticut, or the neighboring towns in Rhode Island. With various relatives he came to the town of Ellington, Chautauqua county, New York. The records of the town do not give the necessary vital records to establish the lineage beyond a doubt, though there is no doubt of the close relationship of the Ellington Bentleys mentioned. Reuben

*Either in error or hypothetical.

Bentley (**Be:F--.**) had children: Reuben (**Be:F--.**), Calvin (**Be:F--.**), mentioned below; Thomas (**Be:F--.**), Samuel (**Be:F--.**), Elizabeth (**Be:F--.**), Mercy (**Be:F--.**).

One account of the family states that Noah Bentley (**Be:F--.**) came from Manchester, England ('but it is known that he belongs to the Rhode Island family described here') about 1750, migrated to Rhode Island with his family, consisting of a wife, sons William (**Be:F--.**) and Niles (**Be:F--.**) and daughter Polly (**Be:F--.**). The latter "died on the voyage over." "Shortly after their arrival here another son Noah was born to them." William (**Be:F--.**), the elder son, removed to New York state shortly after Noah's birth and finally settled in what is now New Lebanon, Columbia county; married a Bromley, and had Noah, Niles and others. One of his daughters, Mercy (**Be:F--.**), married Calvin Bentley (**Be:F--.**), third son of Noah Jr. (**Be:--.**). Niles, son of Noah Sr., was accidentally killed in Rhode Island. Noah Jr. (**Be:F--.**), when young, settled in Rensselaer county, near his brother William.

(VI) Calvin (**Be:--.**), son of Reuben Bentley, was born, probably in Connecticut, and died at Ellington, New York, in 1846. He settled in the town of Ellington, Chautauqua county, on lot No. 23, town No. 3, range No. 10, which he purchased of Morse, Beardsley & Stuart, one hundred acres, by deed dated September 8, 1828, for $225. He married, in 1824, Amanda Hildum, born in Providence, Maine, in November, 1808, died about 1881-82, daughter of Samuel and Sarah Hildum. The Hildum family came from Rensselaer county also in 1825, and located in Chautauqua county, New York. Calvin and Amanda are both buried in the Conewango cemetery. Children: Eunice (**Be:F--.**); Susan (**Be:F--.**), married Lucius Amidon and had a daughter Amelia (**Be:--.**), who married Asa Bentley (**Be:F--.**), now living in Conewango Valley, Chautauqua county, New York; Burton (**Be:F--.**), mentioned below; Lorenzo (**Be:F--.**), died aged two years and a half; Betsey (**Be:F--.**), died aged six months; Drusilla (**Be:F--.**).

(VII) Burton (**BeF--.**), son of Calvin Bentley, was born at Ellington, New York, and except for about eighteen months resided there all his life. He was educated in the public schools, and bought a farm of one hundred and thirty-one acres, lot No. 57, town No. 3, range No. 10, from Arad Fuller, by deed dated Feburary 27, 1864. He was a useful citizen, of sterling character, and commanded the respect and esteem of the community. In politics he was a Republican, and he served on the board of education. He married Sarah Angeline, daughter of Covil and Corlana (Youngs) Nickerson. She died April 24, 1900, aged about sixty-seven years. Children: 1. Denio J. (**Be:F--.**), born October 2, 1854; now a resident of Ellington; married (first) Josephine Gilbert; (second) Bird Waggoner; had no children. 2. Calvin Eugene (**Be:F--.**), mentioned below. 3. Addie M. (**Be:F--.**), born June 6, 1858; taught school a number of years, now a nurse, residing in Jamestown; unmarried. 4. Effie E. (**Be:F--.**), born April 24, 1861; married Charles L. Swanson and had

Hazel (**Be:F--.**); they live at Jamestown. 5. Rose L. (**Be:F--.**), born February 26, 1869; married Fred J. Naxton; children: Mabel (**Be:F--.**), Lloyd (**Be:F--.**), Burton (**Be:F--.**)), Genevieve (**Be:F--.**), and Fred (**Be:F--.**); they reside at Onoville, Cattaraugus county, New York.

(VIII) Calvin Eugene (**Be:F--.**), son of Burton Bentley, was born in Potter county, Pennsylvania, July 1, 1856. He lived during childhood on the homestead at Ellington; he attended the public schools there, the Ellington Academy, Jamestown Union School and Collegiate Institute at Jamestown. He taught school for a short time, and for ten years worked at the trade of carpenter and at other mechanical trades in the town of Ellington and the city of Jamestown. In 1890 he adopted the profession of surveyor and civil engineer, for which he was well prepared, and he was assistant city engineer for one year. He has followed this profession with eminent success to the present time. His offices are in the Chadaokin Building, and his home at 513 East Fifth street, Jamestown. In 1884 he bought a lot on Eleventh street and built a residence. Afterward he exchanged this property for a lot on Main street, and in 1892 bought house and lot on Crescent street, which was later sold, and finally, after two or three months, removed to his present home. He is a communicant of the Methodist Episcopal church. In politics he is a Republican.

He married, March 17, 1883, at Ellington, Elizabeth T. Currie, born in New Utrecht, New York, daughter of Robert Ormiston. They had one child, Carl (**Be:F--.**), who died aged four months. Mrs. Bentley received a thorough musical education and has taught music in the Institute for the Blind in New York City; also at Culpeper, Virginia, Lawrenceville, New York, and in various towns of Chautauqua county, New York. Her father was a minister of the Dutch Reformed Church at New Utrecht for more than thirty years.

Be681. In 1921, John P. Downs and Fenwick Y. Hedley edited the **History of Chautauqua County, New York, and Its People.** In Volume I of this publication, Theodore A. Case provided the narrative for the town of "Ellington" (p. 170-) in Chautauqua County, NY:

> He who attempts to write the history of people who existed, and events that transpired nearly a century ago, perpetuated largely in the memory of the few who are living and the sayings of the many who are dead, must needs feel that there is danger often of weaving into the story an occasional thread of fiction; but the writer has endeavored in this instance to search for truth, reconcile conflicting statements and wherever possible to substantiate the record by documentary proof.
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> To the few representatives of the 'Old Families' who are left to tell their stories and recount the doings and sayings of their ancestors, the author of this brief history desires to extend his grateful acknowledgements; knowing that the records of many persons who contributed largely to the material development of the town and the

intellectual and moral progress of this community, must pass without mention, owing to the lack of sufficient data and sources of information. Families, prominent in an early day, have become extinct, or their descendants have moved away, and the brief record of their lives exist only in the memory of the living or some old structure or landmark that reflects the work of their hands.

I, therefore, beg to invoke the charitable criticism of any who may feel interested in this necessarily brief review of the first centenary of Ellington and its people.

The town of Ellington is bounded on the north by the town of Cherry Creek, on the west by the town of Gerry, south by the town of Poland, and on the east by Cattaraugus county. It is understood to have been named after Ellington in Connecticut. Most of the early settlers came from that State and Massachusetts and Vermont.

On April 1, 1824, it was set off from the town of Gerry, and at that time included the town of Cherry Creek; the latter town being set apart from Ellington, May 4, 1829. It is township number three of the tenth range of the Holland Land Company's survey, and embraces about 23,000 acres of land.

The major part of its surface is undulating upland. The principal valleys are the valleys of Clear creek and its tributaries. The sources of Clear creek are in the neighboring towns of Gerry and Charlotte. It enters the northwest part of the town on lot 56, and running southeasterly through the central portions of the town empties into the Conewango east of the village of Clear Creek in Cattaraugus county. The northeast corner of the town takes in a portion of the Conewango Valley, that stream passing through the northeast corner of lot 7 and centrally through lot 8 and through the northeast corner of lot 16.

The village of Ellington is located on lots 28 and 29, at about the center of the town, and in the valley of Clear creek and Twenty-eight creek, which streams unite just east of the village. The present population of the village is about 400, and of the town about 1,400. . .

The fact as to who was the first actual settler in the town of Ellington, as its boundaries are at present constituted, seems to be a matter of some little doubt, but the best authorities agree that the first opening in the forest was made in the northeast part of the town on lot 7 and **Joshua Bentley (Be: ---)** is credited as being the first actual settler. It is claimed, however, and perhaps justly, that another party, whose name is unknown, made a clearing and erected a log cabin near the same place a year or two in advance of Bentley, but remained only a short time. **Mr. Bentley came from Stephentown, Rensselaer county, this State, in 1814**, and by the joint labors of himself and wife constructed a rude log cabin on the east part of the lot above named, near the present site of the dwelling now owned by **Eldred Bentley (Be:---)**, at Conewango Valley. The following year

Mr. Bentley purchased 300 acres on lot 16, and about the same time land on lots 9 and 15 of the present town of Cherry Creek. Mr. Bentley's son, **Joshua, Jr.** (Be:----), who it appears was for a time engaged with a party of surveyors, came about the same time as his father, and in the spring of 1815 settled on lot 15 of the Cherry Creek purchase. Later the records show that Joshua Bentley, Jr., bought a part of lot 5 in the town of Ellington and built a frame dwelling, the same now owned by Luman Mather, north of Clear creek.

Following Joshua Bentley, Sr., about three years later came his brother, Eldred Bentley, from the same place, and settled on lot 15, about three-fourths of a mile to the west on the line of the old Chatauqua road. From these two brothers sprang the numerous families of Bentleys that reside in that and other portions of this town and Cherry Creek.

With the opening up of this portion of the old Mayville and Ellicottville road in 1814, settlers were attracted to lands lying along its course. In the spring of 1815, James Bates, with his family, came from Onondaga county, but originally from Massachusetts, and settled on lot 48. In 1816 Benjamin Follet settled on lot 40, building a log house on the same premises now owned by Frank Bentley **(Be:----)**. . .

. . . In 1822 the population was largely increased. Among the new settlers were . . . Gardner Bentley **(Be:----)** and Benjamin Carr, lot 16.

Be699. Lobdell, J. H., **Bentley Gleanings**, p. 10.

"Nancy, wife of Jacob Bentley[1] and dau. of Gideon Northrup[2] of N. Kingston[3] — aged 70 years, at Pittsfield, Mass., 3 Oct., 1825."[4] **Ident.?**: See Caleb Bentley, **Be:FBDE.**

Be700. BCRN ----, filed 10.21.1942; cert. of 12.7;.1967, signed by Richard J. Kunasek, County Registrar and Clerk of District Court, Pottawattamie Co., IA. Edwin Meredith Bentley, b 10.4.1942, Council Bluffs, Pottawattamie Co., IA, son of Edwin Harold Bentley and Neva Marie Coleman.

Ident. and class.: Edwin Meredith Bentley (**Be:FBDEAPGCC.**).

Be701. "Census Data" to support his claimed age in 1971, when he established eligibility for social security, because he had no birth certificate. Edwin Harold Bentley, b 11.13.1906, near Oakland, Pottawattamie Co., IA, son of John Buzz Bentley and Edith May Pierce.

[1]The name "Jacob" is believed by contemporary searchers to be a corruption of "Caleb" (see).

[2]The name "Northrup" appears as "Northup" (correctly spelled?) (see **Vital Rec. of RI**).

[3]"N. Kingston" is undoubtedly "North Kingstown," RI.

[4]Primary documentation of this secondary source is not given by Lobdell's correspondent.

Ident. and class.: Edwin Harold Bentley (**Be:FBDEAPGC.**).

Be702. Bible transcription record of Edwin Harold Bentley's birth on 11.13.1906, in **Bible** in his possession given to him by his grandmother Mrs. Edwin (Mary Abigail Oakes) Bentley in 1917.

Ident. and class.: Edwin Harold Bentley (**Be:FBDEAPGC.**).

Be703. Family Record of Samuel Bentley (**Be:FBDEA.**), b June 7, 1776, d July 12, 1834, Rome, Ashtabula Co., OH, and his offspring. The record was kept by Mary Abigail (Oakes) Bentley, wife of Edwin Bentley (**Be:FBDEAP.**). The record was written by Mary in a **Chautauqua Birthday Book**, pub. in Buffalo, NY, by H.H. Otis. The record book is now (1978) in possession of Mrs. H. Bruce (----------) (----) Patterson (**Be:FBDEAP??.**) of Saegertown, Crawford Co., PA. The following names and corresponding dates were gleaned from the **Family Record** 10.8.1971, by Edwin M. Bentley (**Be:FBDEAPGCC.**) of Seattle, WA, and a copy was sent to this searcher in September of 1978. The footnotes are Ed's.

Samuel Bentley	born June 7, 1776 died July 12, 1834, in Rome, Ashtabula Co., Ohio.
Susannah first wife,[1]	b May 23, 1786, d Sept. 15, 1826.
Children:	
Abigail Bentley	b June 7, 1799 . . .
Simeon Bentley	b Jan 16, 1801 . . .
Almon Bentley	b Apr 17, 1803 . . . d 1891.
Olive Bentley	b March 5, 1805
Alfred Bentley	b Apr 27, 1807 . . .
Sally Ann Bentley	b May 31, 1809 . . .
Lucy Bentley	b Apr 23, 1811 . . .
Martha Bentley	b Apr 7, 1813 . . .
Samuel Bentley	b March 31, 1815 . . .
Calvin Bentley	b Sept 10, 1816 . . .
Arnold Bentley	b Aug 26, 1818 . . .
Alanson Bentley	b Dec 8, 1820 . . .
Garner Bentley	b Dec 7, 1822 . . .
Azubah Dewy wife	b ---- 1792 . . .
Gustavus Bentley	b March 25, 1827 . . .
Augustus Bentley	b March 25, 1827 . . .
Edwin Bentley	b Febr 17, 1829
Nancyann Bentley	b Apr 25, 1831 . . .

[1]"This should say: Susannah, 2nd wife of Samuel Bentley. It is unlikely that Susannah had Abigail when she was 13 years old. Samuel Bentley probably married as his first wife, Martha Adams, in South Kingstown, Rhode Island, on 11.15.1798." This comment was added by E.M.B.

Maryette Bentley	b Sept 28, 1833 . . .
Susan Johnson	b ---- 29, ---- . . .
	Mother wrote this record many years ago —
	Alice.[1]

Be704. Will of Edwin Bentley, "dated Feb. 10, 1906," of Randolph Township, Crawford Co., PA; Crawford County Will Book "M," p. 498. All children of Edwin Bentley **(Be:FBDEAP.)** are named including John Bentley **(Be:FBDEAPG.)**.

Be705. Newspaper article in **The Weekly-Tribune Republican**, Meadville, PA, 9.13.1904, announcing arrival in Meadville on 9.10.1904, of John Bentley and family of Oakland, IA, to celebrate the Golden Wedding Anniversary of John's parents Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Bentley of Randolph Twp., Crawford Co., which event was to occur 9.12.1904. Edwin Bentley **(Be:FBDEAP.)** was the father of John Bentley **(Be:FBDEAPG.)**.

Be706. Both of the **CR's of 1890 and 1900** for Randolph Twp., Crawford Co., PA (1880 CR, p 27; 1900 CR, e.d. 33, sheet 8, line 55); family of Edwin Bentley including Edwin's "son" John Bentley **(Be:FBDEAPG.)**.

Be707. Will of Samuel Bentley, Rome, Ashtabula Co., OH; Probate Record "C," p 110, Ashtabula Co., OH. Samuel's four youngest children were named as Gustavus, Agustus, Edwin and Margaretta." Ident.: Samuel Bentley **(Be:FBDEA.)**, father of Edwin Bentley **(Be:FBDEAP.)**.

Be708. Probate Record "D," p. 470, Ashtabula Co., OH, 4.12.1842; Truman C. Dewey was appointed guardian of "Gustavus, Augustus, Edwin, and Maretty Bentley, children of Samuel Bentley, deceased." The children's previous guardian was Christopher Champlain (Probate Record "D," pp. 3 and 4).

Ident.: Samuel Bentley **(Be:FBDEA.)** and son Edwin Bentley **(Be:FBDEAP.)**.

Be709.

Be710. Tombstone-inscription records, Mt. Hope Cem, Randolph Twp., Crawford Co., PA, for Edwin Bentley **(Be:FBDEAP.)**, his wife Mary Abigail Oakes, and his mother Azubah (Graham) (Bentley) "Dewey" as follows:

(1) "Edwin Bentley, b 2.17.1829, d 3.12.1909.

[1] "Alice Bentley (1859-1949), sister of my grandfather John B. Bentley (1867-1930). Her 'mother' is Mary Abigail (Oakes) Bentley (1832-1925), wife of my great-grandfather Edwin Bentley," added Edwin M. Bentley **(Be:FBDEAPGCC.)** on 8.26.1978, Seattle, WA.

(2) "Mary Abigail Oakes, wf. of Edwin Bentley, b 1.2.1832, d 7.10.1925.

(3) "Azubah Dewey, mother of G., A., and E. Bentley, d Sept. 23, 1873, age 81 yrs. 1 m. 7 ds."

Be711. Oakes, Olive S., "Descendants of John Oakes (1769-1846)," manuscript compiled in 1958; copy in the Crawford County Historical Society, Meadville, PA. The names of the known descendants (and their spouses) are given (up to the year 1958) for Edwin Bentley **(Be:FBDEAP.)** and his wife Mary Abigail Oakes.

Be712. Tombstone-inscription record, Crosby Cem, Rome Twp., Ashtabula Co., OH: "Samuel Bentley, d July 12, 1834, aged 59 yrs." Ident.: Samuel Bentley **(Be:FBDEA.)**.

Be713. Birthplace of Samuel Bentley **(Be:FBDEA.)**, "in RI," from spoken **testimony** by Samuel's four sons Simeon A., Almon, Samuel, and Arnold G. Bentley (named in 1880 CR). Ref: descendant Edwin M. Bentley **(Be:FBDEAPGCC.)**.

Be714. Marriage Record, South Kingstown, Book 2:2. Also: Arnold, J.N., **Vital Record of RI**, Vol. 5, "South Kingstown," pp. 5 and 8: marriage of "Samuel Bentley, (son) of Caleb and Anne, and Martha Adams, (dtr) of Ebenezer and Sarah; by Rev. William Northup, Nov. 15, 1798." **Query:** Was the above-named "Anne," wife of Caleb and mother of Samuel, also known by the maiden name of "Nancy North(r)up?"

Ident.? Edwin Meredith Bentley **(Be:FBDEAPGCC.)**, to establish the fact that the "Samuel Bentley, who married Martha Adams," is his ancestor, has provided the following **evidence**:

(1) Samuel had first child named Abigail, b June 7, 1799, according to the list of children of Samuel prepared by Mary Abigail (Oakes) Bentley (see Be703.).

(2) Abigail, dtr of Samuel and Martha Bentley of RI, m John Beedle, according to the **History of the Town of Sweden, Monroe County, New York**, a booklet commemorating the founding of Sweden and printed for the sesquicentennial celebration, 1814-1964. Part of the booklet was prepared by Mrs. Robert Henion of Brockport, NY, a descendant of Abigail (Bentley) Beedle **(Be:FBDEAa.)**.

(3) Abigail Bentley, dtr of Samuel Bentley, m 12.1817, John Beedle, according to **Landmarks of Monroe Co., NY** (1895), p. 56.

(4) Abigail Bentley, b 6.7.1799, East Greenwich, RI, m 12.14.1817, Sweden, NY, John Beedle; their CH were b in Sweden, NY. Ref: **Bible** transcription-record, apparently for John Beedle, in 21:55 of "**Bible** and Family Records Transcribed from Original Sources," Connecticut State Library, Hartford, CT.

(5) Samuel Bentley was named as an inhabitant of Sweden, Monroe Co., NY, in the **1820 CR** (p. 279, Sweden then a part of Genesee Co.) and in the **1830 CR** (p. 374).

(6) Samuel Bentley was named in the **1810 CR** for Cheshire, Berkshire Co., MA, p. 174.

(7) Samuel Bentley's dtr Martha **(Be:FBDEAh.)** was b April 7, 1813, **Cheshire**, according to a **family record** in the possession of Orris W. Bentley **(Be:FBDEAPGA.)**, Oakland, IA (1978).

(8) **Church Record**, transcribed by R. H. Cooke (1903) from the Second Baptist Church "Book of Records," Cheshire, MA; microfilm no. 30734, Genealogical Soc. Lib., SLC, UT. Record: "January 26, 1816. The Chh met as usual. Vote to give letters of dismesion to Samuel Bentley and wife."

(9) The **1855 CR** (state) for Sweden, Monroe Co., NY, First Election District of Sweden, Monroe Co., families 93 and 172, respectively, for Abigail (Bentley) Beedle and Almond Bentley (CH of Samuel Bentley, **Be:FBDEA.**), who reported they had been living in Monroe Co. for 39 years and indicated the arrival year as 1816. The year of 1816 corresponds with the year of Samuel Bentley's dismissal from the Cheshire, MA, church.

(10) According to **Landmarks of Monroe Co., NY** (1895), p. 412, Samuel and Susanna (his second wife) Bentley were charter members of the Second-Baptist Church, Sweden, NY, that was organized May 6, 1819.

(11) According to the **Cemetery, Church and Town Records of New York**, vol. 154, p. 170, Samuel Bentley, a member of the Second Baptist Church of Sweden, NY, was discharged on 9.29.1832. The transcription was made by a member of the D.A.R.

(12) **Land Record Book** "N," p. 37, Ashtabula Co., OH: Samuel Bentley of Sweden, Monroe Co., NY, purchased 160 acres of land in Lot 20, Rome Twp., Ashtabula Co., 10.29.1832, from Robert and Maria (----) Watkinson of Hartford, CT.

(13) **Property-tax record**, Rome Twp., Ashtabula Co., OH, lists Samuel Bentley as having paid taxes on 221 acres of land in 1833 and 1834, incl. land purchased in 1832.

(14) **Property-tax record** for Zubah Bentley, wife of Samuel Bentley (his third wife), who paid taxes in 1835 and 1836 on the same land that Samuel paid taxes on in 1833 and 1834; "Ashtabula Co., Ohio, Tax Lists."

(15) The **1840 CR** for Sheffield Twp., Ashtabula Co., OH, p. 207, includes widow Azubah Bentley.

(16) The **1850 CR**, Randolph Twp., Crawford Co., PA, p. 302, reads that Azubah was the wife of Ezra Dewey and that Edwin Bentley **(Be:FBDEAP.)** and Marietta Bentley were in the same household.

Be715. Arnold, J.N., **Vital Record of Rhode Island** Vol. 8, "First Baptist Church, North Kingstown," pp. 598 and 599. "This church was constituted Nov. 12, 1782. The original members who had been under the instructions of Elder Rogers met at the house of Rowse Northup and voted themselves a Church of Christ. . . At the request of twelve brethren and twenty sisters, William Northup was called to the pastorship and ordained the next day. . . Elder Northup continued in charge of the church until his death, May 31, 1839, having been 57 years its pastor . . ." Notes from the records for Arnold's publication were contributed by Peleg F. Peirce (the records extended from 11.12.1782 to 11.7.1886).

Of special interest are the entries for original members "**Ann Bentley**" and "**Caleb Bentley**" who were baptized on November 12, 1782.

Query: Is the "Ann Bentley" in this church record the same person named "Nancy North(r)up," wife of a Caleb Bentley?

In answer to this query, Edwin M. Bentley **(Be:FBDEAPGCC.)** of Seattle provided the following information in 9.1978:

> (The statement) **that Caleb and Anne Bentley**, parents of the Samuel Bentley who m Martha Adams, 11.15.1798, in South Kingstown, RI, **are Caleb and Nancy (Northrup) Bentley**, parents of William Northrup Bentley (**New England Historical and Genealogical Register**, 1931, Vol. 85, p. 222) and, therefore, the parents of Gideon Bentley who m Prudence Crandall (Crandall, John Cortland, **Elder John Crandall of Rhode Island and His Descendants**, 1949, p. 111), is based upon nothing more than (1) the proper age-range for all parties from the censuses, (2) the age of Caleb Bentley from above-mentioned **NEHG Register** (vol. 85, p 222), (3) the possibility that "Ann(e)" is the diminutive for "Nancy" (or **vice versa**) (or "Nancy Ann"), and (4) the geographical proximity of several possible sons of Caleb Bentley — **viz.**, Samuel Bentley in 1810, Cheshire, Berkshire Co., MA; Wm. N. Bentley in 1820-1830, New Lebanon, Columbia Co., NY; Gideon Bentley in 1810, Lanesborough, Berkshire, MA; and Arnold Bentley in 1820-1830, Pittsfield, Berkshire Co., MA.

More Speculation as to the True Identity of **SARAH** (Ancestor X.194.), Wife of **WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y** (Be:F.) (Anc. X.193.)

Over a period of many years, searchers have been unable to unearth the incontrovertible evidence necessary to show beyond any doubt who SARAH'S parents really were. Yet to be identified are Ancestors XI.387. and XI.388. Speculation continues to favor SARAH'S maiden surname as "Eldred," Eldredge," or "Eldridge," rather than either "Leithfield" ("Litchfield") or "Reynolds" (variously spelled) or some other name.

For several early generations the Eldred family (Samuel and his descendants) has lived in close geographical proximity to the Bentl(e)y family (William and descendants). The signatures of witnesses "Captain John Eldred" and "Rob't Brownell" are found on the **Will** of progenitor WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y of Rhode Island Colony. The **Will** was proved July 9, 1720. The Inventory of Goods was dated July 11, 1720. This searcher believes that he died before July 9, 1720, possibly on July 3, 1720, Kingstown, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations (see photos).

The names of "Eldred" and "Bentl(e)y" are also found on other records. The Naragansett Petition sent to King Charles, dated July 29, 1679, bears the names of 42 settlers including those of Sam. Eldred and sons John Eldred and Daniel Eldred, William Bently, and William Knolls (Knowles) (Be205.).

On March 20, 1721, the testimony of Henry Knowles was given in which he specified that the Pequot Path ran to the eastward of the ruins of an old house belonging to "old Mr. Eldred, father of the now Captain John Eldred" (see Be150.).

On August 1, 1718, SARAH (-----) BENTL(E)Y testified that "**Samuel Eldred**, **John's** father," dwelled 50 years before (**i.e.**, **ca** 1668) on land where **John** was living in 1718, and that **Samuel Eldred's** was so situated that the Ancient Pequot Path, also called the New London Road, went to the Eastward of the house (Be150.). **Samuel's** son **John Eldred** d 1724, Kingstown.

On a deed dated 1718/19, Kingstown, the signature of SARAH'S son THOMAS BENTL(E)Y and the mark of his wife ELIZABETH are accompanied by the signatures of the witnesses **James Eldred** and **Samuel Eldred** (Be260.).

SARAH (-----) BENTL(E)Y'S grandson BENJAMIN and his wife SARAH (SHIPPEE) BENTL(E)Y sold to Richard Waneman land located south of **Anthony Eldred's** — the lot of 2½ acres in Exeter bounded in the south and west by a highway, according to the deed dated 9.2.1754 (recorded 1.14.1755) (Sp20.).

An important lead to the possible discovery of SARAH'S maiden surname is provided in a document containing, among other pieces of information, these four successive items: (1) WILLIAM BENTLY'S birth place as Amp(t)hill, Bedfordshire, England, and his age at death, 83 years 11 days; (2) "SARAH BENTLY, **the**/ the wife of ye above WILLIAM departed this life December ye 28, 1731;" (3) "Mary Austen born in ye year 1670;" and (4) "William Bently son of William born July (?) 8, 1677" (Be111.). Is the word that immediately follows SARAH'S name at the right edge of the worn document "then"? Only "the" appears. The possibility exists that the lost fragment following "the" may have a letter or letters on it, perhaps an "n" making the word "then" and implying that SARAH may have had more than one husband. Also, how is SARAH associated with the person known only by the

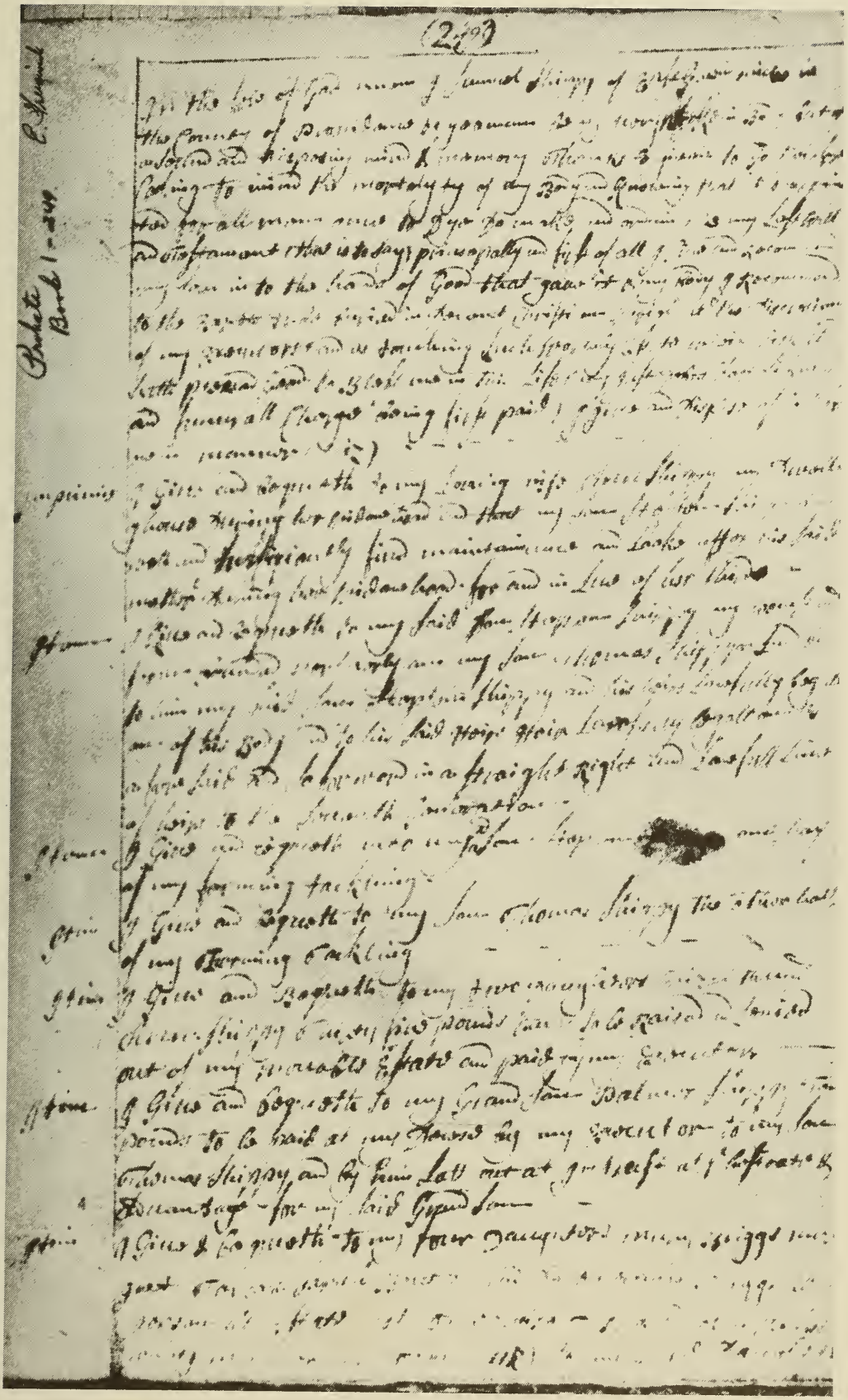
name on this document, the name of "Mary Austen" (Be111.)? Who was the mother of Mary Austen? Perhaps "Mary Austen" is the name of a daughter of SARAH'S by a husband whom she may have had previous to her marriage to WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y. Still more questions in this mystery arise.

How did SARAH know that John's father Samuel Eldred in 1668 had lived on the land in Kingstown that his son John was living on in 1718? More specifically, was this mother of William, James, THOMAS, and Benjamin the niece of the Bentl(e)y-neighbor Samuel Eldred?[1] Was Samuel Eldred of Kingstown a brother of William Eldred of Yarmouth? Was SARAH really the daughter of William and Anne (Lumpkin) Eldred of Yarmouth, Plymouth Colony, born there on October 10, 1650? Before her marriage to WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y, with whom was SARAH living in that part of Kingstown in 1668? Who else lived in that vicinity in 1668 who could testify to the same facts in 1718 that SARAH did? Was SARAH acquainted with Henry Knowles? — or perhaps Henry's wife?

On **May 4, 1668**, at Kings Town, Samuel Eldred and eighteen others, of Wickford, desiring the protection of the Connecticut colonial government, signed a letter to the General Court at Hartford . . . (Be150.).

[1]or perhaps in some way more closely related to Samuel Eldred's wife Elizabeth (-----)?

Will of SAMUEL SHIPPY (SHIPPEE), **Anc. IX.99.**, father of SARAH SHIPPEE ("SARAH BENTLEY"), **Anc. VIII.50.**, wife of BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y, **Anc. VIII.49., Be:FDD.** SAMUEL was the husband of ANN, **Anc. IX.100.**
Doc: East Greenwich Probate Book 1, pages 249-253 (incl. inventory) (see B267., Sp21.).



Daughter [illegible] twenty shillings more than
Either of the other three and to the said other
three Equall
and I do hereby make ordain and appoint my said
Son Stephen Shippy my whole and sole Executor
of this my Last Will and Testament and Lastly
I do utterly Disalone and Disanull all and every
former Wills Legesies bequeth and Executors by me at
any Time before made willed or bequethed or appoint
and Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to
be my Last Will and Testament In witness whereof
I have hereunto sett my hand and seal this fifth
Day of July in the fourteenth year of his majesties
Reigne George the Second King of Great Britain &c.
Annoque Domini 1740:

Signed Sealed published
Pronounced and Declaired by
the said Samuel Shippy as
his Last Will and Testament
in presence of us the
Subscribers
Joseph his mark Borrey
Benjamin his mark Sweet
John Jenkins

Samuel Shippy Seald

Personally appeared before the Town Councill of
Eastgreenwich September the 27th 1740
Two of the within witnesses to this within
Will (viz) Joseph Borry and John Jenkins and on
Solom Jugayement Did Soudrally Declaire that
they Saw the within Testator Samuel Shippy
Sign and Seal the within Will and that they heard
him Declaire the Same to be his Last Will &
Testament and that he was of a Sound and
Disposing mind and that they Signed as Wit
nesses in his presents and that they Saw the other

other just rest: [illegible] sweat [illegible] signe [illegible] the same farm
whic [illegible] will [illegible] and approve of for the [illegible] matter [illegible]
p order Thos. Spencer Councill Clerke

Recorded and Compared with
the originall november
the 17th 1740 —
p Thos. Spencer Councill Clerke

Whereas Samuel Shippy Late of East Greenwich in the County of
Providence and Colony of Rhode Island &c yeoman did in his Last will
and Testament nominate and appoint his Eldest son Stephen Shippy
to be whole and sole executor to his said Last will and
[illegible] Stephen Refused to prove the said will or to
take the office of Executor whereupon Administration
was offered to Ann Shippy Late wife [illegible]
widow to the said Samuel Shippy who Refused [illegible]
Thomas Shippy second son of the said Samuel Shippy [illegible]
to have Administration of all and Singular the Goods Chattles
and Credits of and belonging to the afore said [illegible]
the which is granted to him with the [illegible] will annexed as the
Law of said Colony doth Direct [illegible]

Estate

Know all men by these presents that wee the Town Councill of
East Greenwich afore said do by these presents give unto the said
Thomas Shippy administrator as afore said full power to take into
his Care and Custodie all and Singular the Goods Chattels and Credits
belonging to the afore said Samuel Shippy and to [illegible] demand
all just debts due to said Estate from any person or persons what
soever and to pay all just debts due from said Estate to any
person or persons whatsoever (so far forth as the said [illegible] will Extend) and finally to act in the premises agreeable to and according
to the Laws of this Colony in that Case made and provided & for
the Confirmation wee [illegible] order the Clerk of the Councill to sign
these presents with the Councill seal & sign the same Sealed with the said
seal and signed the Seventh day of October in ye fourteenth year of
his majesties Reign George the Second King of Great Brittaine &c
annoque domini 1740 p order Thos. Spencer Councill Clerke
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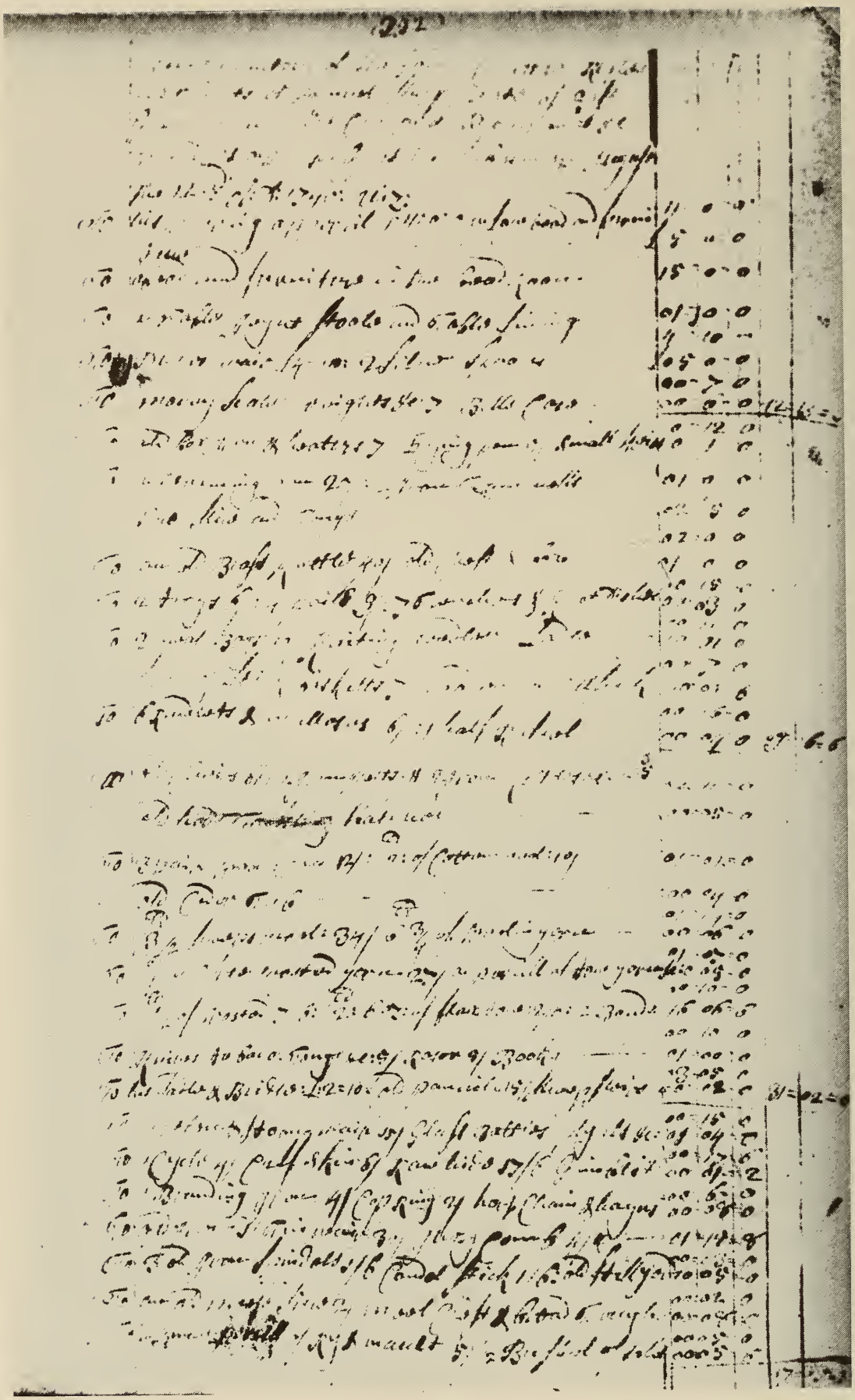

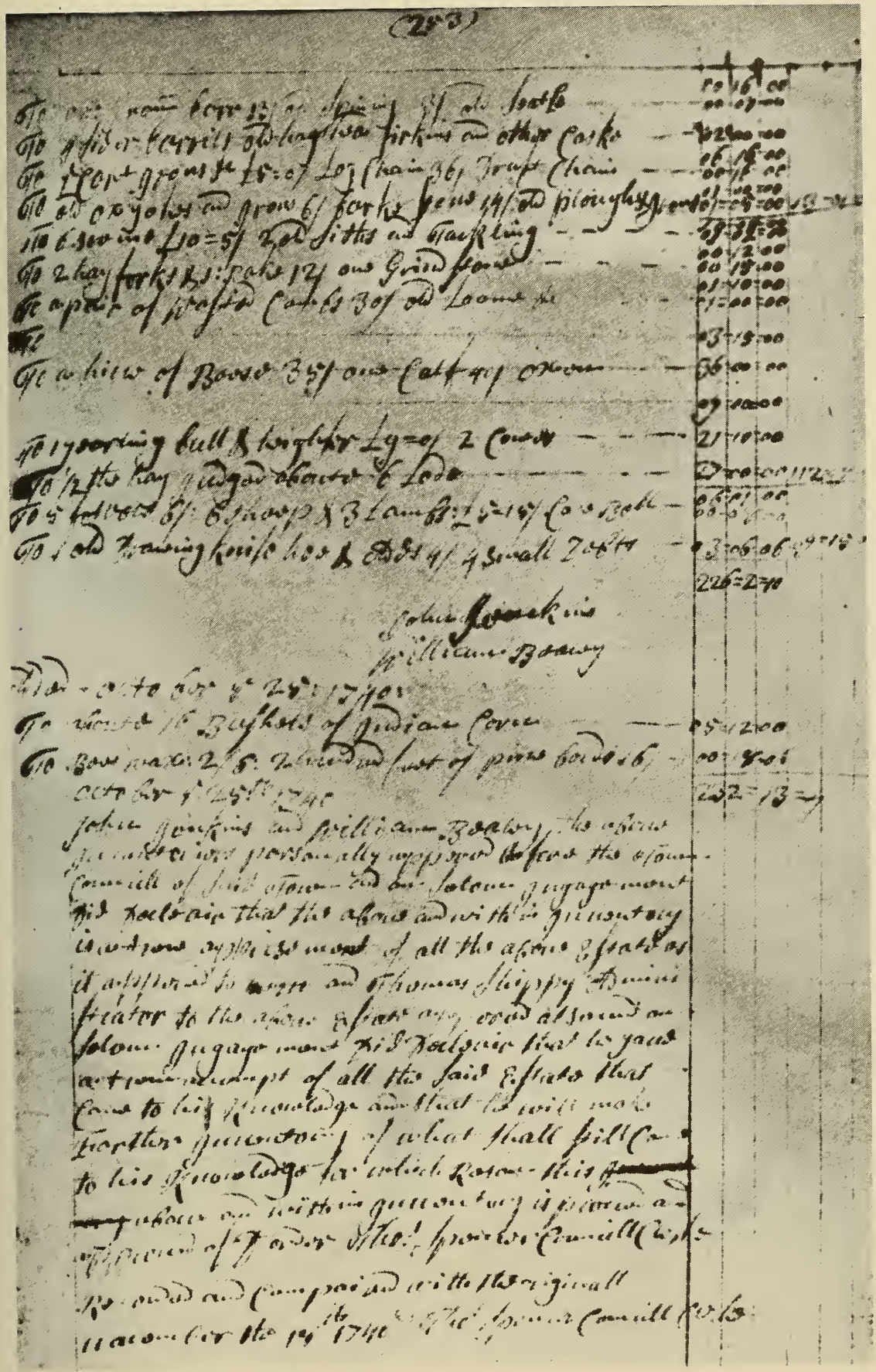

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THE SHIPPEE FAMILY GROUP

This searcher-classifier has attempted several tracings including a parallel tracing of two selected lines from the American Progenitor DAVID SHIPPEE to the descendant Harry L. Quick (**Sp:AGFALDbA.**) (and his children) and to himself (**Sp:ADhDABecEA.**). The system of genealogical classification has been applied. The symbol **Sp:** has been employed to designate the identified descendants. The following traces have been made from common ancestor DAVID SHIPPEE to the selected members of the Shippee Family Group. Since any identification has **not** been made of DAVID'S parents and offspring, this classifier has tentatively chosen the letter "**A**" in designating Progenitor **DAVID SHIPPEE** (Ancestor **X.197.**) as **Sp:A.**

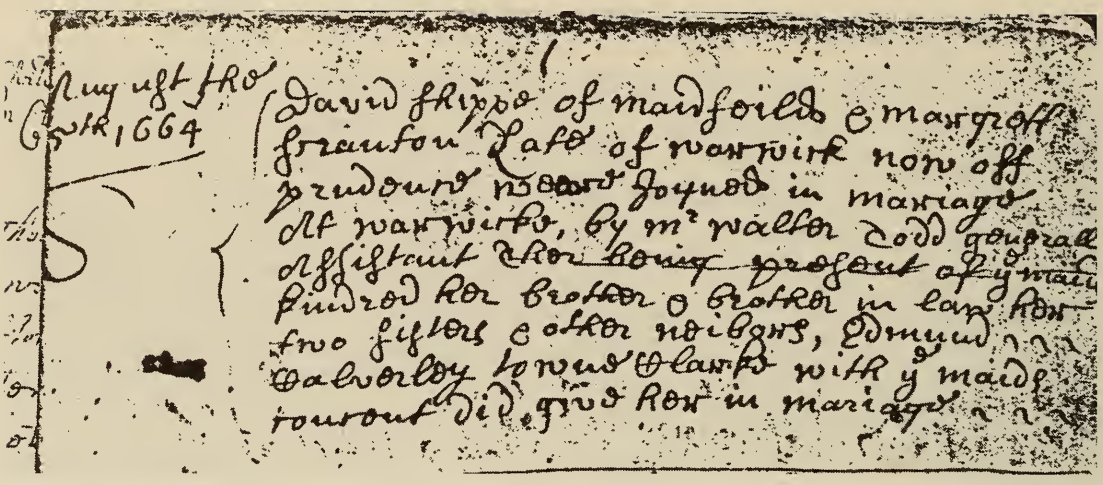
A typewritten copy of the senior Harry L. Quick's manuscript entitled **Shippee Family Genealogy**, compiled in Dixon, IL, 1941, may be found in the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library, Boston, MA. Cousin Harry L. Quick's written hope was that the record would prove interesting, as well as a valuable reference to all those concerned.

Original records (limited), J. N. Arnold's **Vital Record of Rhode Island 1636-1850**, J. O. Austin's **Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island**, and Mrs. Henry R. (Blanch W. Fish) Albro of Coventry, RI, have been additional sources for making these traces.

Sp:A. DAVID SHIPPEE (X.197.), earliest known "Shippee" ancestor, is of record in the town of Warwick, RI, in 1664, as on August 15, of which year he was married to **MARGARET SCRANTON** (**anc. X.198.**), the daughter of **THOMAS** and **MARY** (----) **SCRANTON** (**anc. XI.395.** and **XI.396.**). **DAVID SHIPPEE** is believed to have probably been a native of England (English proof?). DAVID was called of "Maidfields,"[1] and his bride "Margrett" was said to have been "late of Warwick, now of Prudence Island" (Sp1.).

THOMAS SCRANTON, who was the father of MARGARET SCRANTON, wife of DAVID SHIPPEE, was of Warwick, RI. **On November 25, 1657, THOMAS SCRANTON bought a house and lot from Henry Knowles** (as of 1978, this searcher's earliest-known American-ancestral-record). Also, as recorded on the town books on August 15, 1664, at the time of his daughter's marriage to DAVID SHIPPEE, there were present of the Maid's kindred her brother, and brother-in-law, her two sisters, and other neighbors. MARGARET at that time was called "of Prudence, late of Warwick." The names of her brothers and sisters were not disclosed. There is no record of a military service for THOMAS SCRANTON, and the country from which he came is not mentioned, but he probably was from England. THOMAS and MARY SCRANTON were the parents of four children:

[1] **Warwick Town Land Evidence 1:1**; J. N. Arnold, **Vi Rec RI**, I: "Warwick," p. 107 and index p. X, places his "Maidfield(s)" in England. Before acceptance of the location, further proof is recommended.



The Marriage Record of DAVID SHIPPE(E), **Anc. X.197.**, and "MARGRETT" SCRANTON, **Anc. X.198.**
Doc: Warwick (RI), "Marriages . . ." Book 1, page 1.

Thomas, Jr., b 1641, d 1724. The second child was MARGARET, who married DAVID SHIPPEE, 8.15.1664. There were two other daughters whose names were not given. The marriage of MARGARET SCRANTON and DAVID SHIPPEE[1] was performed in Warwick, RI, by Walter Tadd (or Todd).[2]

On March 17, 1682, DAVID SHIPPEE purchased from Henry Matteson, a dwelling house and ten acres of land in East Greenwich. DAVID SHIPPEE died about 1718. The children (7) born to DAVID and MARGARET SHIPPEE were: (**Aa.**) Elizabeth, (**Ab.**) **Martha**, (**Ac.**) Mary, (**AD.**) **SAMUEL (IX.99.)**, (**AE.**) David, (**AF.**) **Thomas**, and (**AG.**) **Solomon Shippee**.[3]

For approximately 225 years,[4] the Shippee (also as Sheppy and Shepy) families and descendants have been continuous residents of East Greenwich, Rhode Island, and throughout that period have been prominently identified with its history. The ancient home of the family, known as the "Shippee Settlement," is of historic prominence. Among recent generations have been

[1]J. N. Arnold, **Vital Record of Rhode Island**, stated that (1) DAVID SHIPPEE was of Maidfield and that (2) Maidfield was in England.

[2]J. N. Arnold's spelling was "Todd" and not "Tadd."

[3]H. L. Quick stated that the foregoing information may be found in the following records in the Library of Congress and the D.A.R. Library (Washington, DC): **The Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island**, comprising three generations of settlers who came before 1690, with many families carried to the fourth generation, by John Osborn Austin, 1887, pp. 173-4, 387, also pp. 179-180; **New England Families, R. I.**, edition 1925, pp. 140-1. **Representative Men and Old Fmilies of R. I.**, 1908, Volume 3, pp 1434 and 1852; J. N. Arnold's **Vital Record of R. I.**, Volume 3, "Smithfield," p 115; **Glochester Charlemont, Mass. V. R.**, pp. 72 and 159; J. N. Arnold's **Vi. Rec. of R. I.**, Vol. 1: "East Greenwich," pp. 45 and 64; "Warwick," pp. 105 and 107; **Douglas, Mass. V. R.**, pp. 39 and 111; and the **1790 Heads of Fam., Mass.**, p. 105. A "Shippee" coat-of-arms (?) is in a book in the D.A. R. Library.

[4]ca 300+ years.

some of the prominent business men and public leaders of the past century in Wickford in the town of North Kingston.

David Shippee, the American progenitor, was undoubtedly a native of England, although no record to that effect exists.[1] He settled first in Kings Town, R. I. He acquired considerable property in East Greenwich and other parts of Rhode Island, the greater part of which he disposed of by deed to his children, prior to his death. This is learned from **New England Families R. I.**, edited by the American Historical Society, Inc., NY, 1925, p. 140, according to H. L. Quick.

Selected descendants of DAVID SHIPPEE and MARGARET SCRANTON, who have been identified and classified, are traced as follows.

Aa. Elizabeth Shippee, b 1665, m James Cooper (Sp5.).

Ab. Martha Shippee, b 1667, m 11.14.1695, East Greenwich (Colony of Rhode Island . . .), to Thomas Matteson (by John Heath, Justice) (**East Greenwich Town Record 1:4**). Thomas Matteson d 1.19.1740. Although Thomas Matteson's spouse is named "Mary Shippee" on the marriage record, the name of DAVID SHIPPEE'S daughter is identified as "Martha Matteson" in a document dated 2.21.1696/7 (Sp.6.). Their CH (**East Greenwich 1:6**) (Sp12.):[2]

Aba. Deliverance Matteson, b 8.20.1696, East Greenwich.

Abb. Elizabeth Matteson, b 10.9.1700, East Greenwich. Elizabeth was m 1.22.1718/9, East Greenwich, to Henry Joshlin (m by Pardon Tillinghast, Justice) (**East Greenwich 1:2**). Their CH were (**East Greenwich 1:54**):

Abba. Alice Joshlin, b 6.9.1720, East Greenwich.

Abbb. Mercy Joshlin, b 2.2.1721/2.

AbbC. Thomas Joshlin, b 2.12.1723/4.

AbbD. Henry Joshlin, b 2.24.1725/6.

Abbe. Deliverance Joshlin, b 3.25.1728.

Abbf. Martha Joshlin, b 2.14.1729/30.

Abbg. Elizabeth Joshlin, b 2.14.1729/30.

Abbh. Rebeckah Joshlin, b 4.4.1732.

AbbI. John Joshlin, b 9.9.1734.

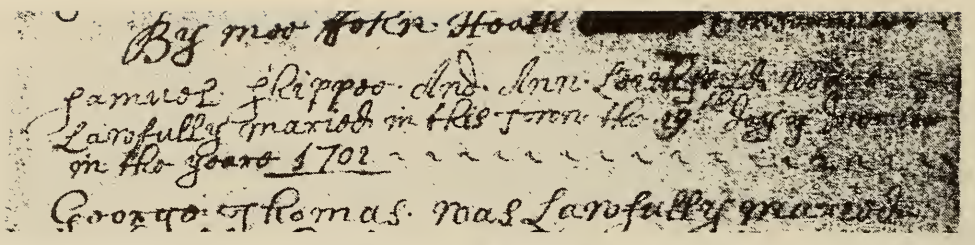
Abbj. Margaret Joshlin, b 7.4.1737.

Abbk. Mary Joshlin, b 5.6.1739.

Ac. Mary Shippee, b 1669, m John Rutenburg ("John Ruthenberge") (**East Greenwich Land Evidence 1:105A.**) (Sp7.). John d in 1723.

[1]Arnold, J. N., **Vital Record of Rhode Island**, Vol. 1, "Warwick—Marriages," p. 107 (**Warwick 1:1**); "**David Shippee of Maidfield** . . ." and p. x, "Index—Town of Warwick," note: "Maidfield, Eng., 107." Could "Maidfield" or "Maidfeild" (as spelled on the original document) be a corruption for "Maidford," located in England? See ref. **Sp.1.**

[2]Numerical dating for the month corresponds to a 12-month year (Jan.-Dec.) unless otherwise indicated specifically.



The Marriage Record of SAMUEL SHIPPEE, **Anc. IX.99.**, and ANN, **Anc. IX.100.** Doc: East Greenwich (RI), "Births and Marriages" Book 1, page 3A.

AD. SAMUEL SHIPPEE (anc. IX.99.) (Sp18.), b 1671, d 1740 (see Sp18. or Be267.), m Dec. 29, 1702, East Greenwich, to ANN "LE--FELD" ("LEITHFIELD") ("LITCHFIELD" appears to be the more commonly accepted spelling) (anc. IX.100.) (**East Greenwich Land Evidence 1:3A.**) (**not** in the Birth and Marriages Book 1:1) (?) (Sp12.). Ann was b Aug. 18, 1678, Dorchester (MA),[1] and d 1752, East Greenwich (RI), intestate. ANN was the dtr of THOMAS (anc. X.199) and MARY (anc. X.200.) (-----) (Long) "LITCHFIELD" ("LEITHFIELD") (Sp10., Sp15., Sp16., Sp17., Sp.18., Sp19.). **"LICHFIELD"** — her father's signature, p. 1760 (Sp.52.).

Their nine CH (in hypothetical sequence) (Sp14., Sp18., Sp19.): (**A**) Samuel, (**B**) Stephen, (**C**) **Thomas**, (**d**) Elizabeth, (**e**) Ann, (**f**) Mary Shippee, (**g**) Margaret Shippee, (**h**) **SARAH SHIPPEE (anc. VIII.50.)**, and (**i**) Deliverance Shippee. The selected DESC of SAMUEL and ANN are:

ADA. Samuel Shippee ("oldest sonn of SAMUEL SHIPPEE and ANNE"), b 2.28.1702/3, East Greenwich (RI) (**East Greenwich 1:23A., 1:11.** (?) (Sp9., Sp12.).

ADB. Stephen Shippee (Sp11., Sp18.), d 1790/1—**Will** written 8.11.1793, proved 3.6.1802; m 12.24.1732, East Greenwich (RI), Mary Slocum (Sp10.).

ADC. Thomas Shippee (Sp18., Sp19.), m 12.24.1732, Hannah Matteson (his cousin) (by Thomas Spencer, Justice) (**East Greenwich Town Record 3:163**). Thomas Shippee d 1802 — **Will** written 8.11.1793, proved 3.6.1802 (Sp10.). Their CH (East Greenwich, 2:65): (**a**) Almy, (**B**) David, (**C**) Samuel, (**D**) **Caleb Shippee**, and (**E**) **Thomas Shippee**. Selected DESC (Sp12.) include:

ADCa. Almy Shippee, b 4.11.1733.

ADCB. David Shippee, b 8.26.1739.

ADCC. Samuel Shippee, b 8.22.1742.

ADCD. Caleb Shippee, b 8.23.1747, m "Alce" (----); their six CH (**East Greenwich 3:13**): (**A**) **William**, (**B**) Allen, (**c**) Hannah, (**d**) "Lowes," (**E**) John, and (**F**) Lodowick Updike Shippee. Selected DESC:

ADCDA. William Shippee, b 3.15.1776, of East Greenwich ("of Caleb"), m 1.21.1798, Alice Brown, dtr of Charles Brown, of North Kingstown, RI(by

[1] See Sp33.K., Ann "Leichfield" b August 18, 1678.

Elder Phillip Jenkins) (**East Greenwich 2:101**). William and Alice had these CH (**2:155**): (**a**) Amey Shippee, (**b**) Lydia Shippee, (**c**) Alce Shippee, (**D**) Caleb Brown Shippee, (**E**) **Charles Cooper Shippee**, (**F**) Welthian Shippee, (**G**) Christopher Allen Shippee, (**H**) **William Waterman Shippee**, (**i**) Phebe Ann Louisa Shippee, and (**J**) Horace Joslin Shippee. Selected DESC (Sp12.):

ADCDAa. Amey Shippee, b 4.29.1798, West Greenwich, RI.

ADCDAb. Lydia Shippee, b 9.21.1800, West Greenwich.

ADCDAc. Alce Shippee, b 4.19.1803, West Greenwich.

ADCDAD. Caleb Brown Shippee, b 2.27.1806, West Greenwich.

ADCDAE. Charles Cooper Shippee, b 3.6.1809, East Greenwich, m 12.1.1833, East Greenwich, RI (of William), to Jane Tarbox (dtr of Joseph Tarbox) (by Elder Joseph W. Allen) (**East Greenwich 4:29**). Their son (**East Greenwich 3:55**) (Sp12.):

ADCDAEA. Charles Edwin Shippee, b 7.27.1835, East Greenwich (**3:55**).

ADCDAF. Welthian Shippee, b 2.12.1812, Coventry (**East Greenwich 2:155**).

ADCDAG. Christopher Allen Shippee, b 5.20.1815, Warwick, RI (**East Greenwich 2:155**).

ADCDAH. William Waterman Shippee, b 5.8.1818, East Greenwich (**3:7**), was the father of (**East Greenwich 3:55**) (Sp12.):

ADCDAHA. Christopher Allen Shippee, b 4.17.1840, East Greenwich, RI.

ADCDAHB. Elisha Rhodes Shippee, b 6.4.1844, East Greenwich.

ADCDAHC. Jeremiah Clay Shippee, b 10.7.1846, East Greenwich.

Learning the whereabouts of any living persons named "Shippee" who are descendants of those named above would be of interest to this searcher and may be of interest to others.

ADCDAi. Phebe Ann Louisa Shippee, b 5.20.1821, d 7.1.1821, East Greenwich.

ADCDAJ. Horace Joslin Shippee, b 9.22.1822, East Greenwich.

ADCDB. Allen Shippee, b 3.18.1778, East Greenwich.

ADCDc. Hannah Shippee, b 2.26.1782, East Greenwich.

ADCDd. "Lowes" Shippee, b 7.16.1784, East Greenwich.

ADCDE. John Shippee, b 9.21.1786, East Greenwich.

ADCDF. Lodowick Updike Shippee, b 8.23.1789, East Greenwich.

ADCE. Thomas Shippee, b 1.26.1751 (?) (**East Greenwich 2:65**); b 1.12.1751 (?), East Greenwich, m Elizabeth (Betty) Spencer, William's dtr—according to Mrs. H. R. (Blanche W. Fish) Albro, a present-day Rhode Islander, who also stated that Thomas Shippee (Senior, father of this

Thomas) (**Sp:ADC.**) m his cousin Hannah Matteson, dtr of Thomas. This searcher was very surprised to learn from his correspondent and Rhode Island record-searcher that she was a "cousin" as indicated in the following sketch by her. Details regarding the brothers and sisters of each of her ancestors in the trace haven't been added. Her trace (without documentation here) follows.

Thomas Shippee (Sp:ADCE.) (**4**), b 1.12.1751 (?), m Elizabeth (Betty) Spencer (**5**), daughter of Wm (**4**), Wm (**3**), John (**2**), John Spencer (**1**). Thomas and Elizabeth had a son:

ADCE?. Rufus Shippee (**5**), m 11. 1815, Elizabeth (Lizzy) Spencer (**6**), daughter of Anthony (**5**), Nathan (**4**), Wm (**3**), John (**2**), John Spencer (**1**). Rufus and Elizabeth had a dtr:

ADCE??. Elizabeth Ann Shippee (**6**), b 1.30.1816, m **first** Asa Johnson and m **secondly** Thomas Bowen; Elizabeth and Asa had:

ADCE???. Roxanna Spencer Johnson (**7**), b 1836, East Greenwich, d 1888, Coventry, RI, m 4.4.1858, Albert D. Fiske, b 1833, d 1895, Coventry, son of Isaac; their son:

ADCE????. George R. Fiske (**8**), b 1866, Coventry; d 1837, Coventry; m Mary Ann Johnson of West Greenwich, Alfred's dtr; George and Mary Ann had a dtr:

ADCE?????. Edith M. Fiske (**9**), b 1893, Coventry; d 1950, West Greenwich, RI; m Clyde S. Fish, b 1893, d 1978, son of George W. Fish; Edith and Clyde had:

ADCE??????. Blanche W. Fish (**10**), b 1920, West Greenwich, RI, m Henry R. Albro, Jr. of Coventry, RI; res (1978): Weaver Hill Road, Coventry, RI.

ADd. Elizabeth Shippee (Sp18.), b ----; single in 1740, when named in her father's **Will** (Sp10.).

ADe. Ann Shippee (Sp18., Sp19.), b ----, m John Spink (Sp10.).

ADf. Mary Shippee (Sp18.), b ca 1715, m 7.5.1730, Richard Briggs, John's son (Sp10.).

ADg. Margaret Shippee (Sp18.), b ca 1714 or 1716 (?), m ca 1732, John Tarbox (his second wife) (Sp10., Sp19.).

ADh. SARAH SHIPPEE (anc. VIII.50.) (Sp18., Sp19., Sp20.), b ca 1717, d ca 1760/61, Exeter (RI Colony), of smallpox (Sp10. and Exeter Town Council Meeting Record; see **Be:FDD.**). **SARAH m BENJAMIN BENTLEY (anc. VIII.49., Be:FDD.)**, son of **THOMAS BENTLEY (anc. IX.97.). SARAH** and **BENJAMIN** had these **CH** (Be21.B., Be32.H., **etc.**): (**A**) Caleb Bentley, (**B**) Joseph Bentley, (**C**) Thomas Bentley, (**D**) **SAMUEL BENTLEY**, (**E**) Benjamin Bentley, Jr., (**F**) Gideon Bentley, and (?), likely (**g**) Ann, anon. Bentley. Their selected DESC (see **Be:** Family Group):

ADhA. Caleb Bentley, b 8.25.1739, Exeter, RI (Colony of).

ADhB. Joseph Bentley, b 3.25.1740/1, Exeter, RI (Colony of).

ADhC. Thomas Bentley, b 1.4.1743, Exeter, RI (Colony of).

ADhD. SAMUEL BENTLEY (VII.25.), b 1.4.1746, Exeter, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, New England, "son of Benjamin, 'Jr.' and Sarah" (**Exeter 1:201**). SAMUEL m ----, to ---- (?); his CH: (**A**) **REUBEN BENTLEY**, (**b**) Deborah Bentley, (**C**) Elijah Bentley, (**d**) (anon. dtr of SAMUEL) Bentley, (**E**) Ira Bentley, (**F**) Samuel Bentley, and (**g**) (anon. dtr of SAMUEL) Bentley. SAMUEL'S selected DESC:

ADhDA. REUBEN BENTLEY (anc. VI.13.), m **POLLY (anc. VI.14.)** (see **Be:** Family Group); CH: (**a**) Mary Bentley, (**B**) **MIRON BENTLEY**, (**c**) Almira Bentley, and (**d**) Fanny Bentley. **REUBEN** and **POLLY** had these selected DESC:

ADhDAa. Mary Bentley.

ADhDAB. MIRON BENTLEY (Anc. V.7., Be:FDDDAB.), b 1798, m 1.7.1823, **HANNAH BADGEROW (Anc. V.8., Ba:Aa.)** (m by Rev. William Jenkins of the Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church) (Be12A.). The children of MIRON and HANNAH were: (**A**) Albert, (**B**) Martinas Bentley, (**c**) Mary Bentley, (**D**) Simpson Bentley, (**e**) ALMIRA HANNAH BENTLEY (Be:FDDDABe.), (**f**) Frances Bentley, and (**G**) William H. Bentley. MIRON and HANNAH had these selected DESC (see **Ba:** Family Group):

ADhDABA. Albert Bentley.

ADhDABB. Martinas Bentley.

ADhDABc. Mary Bentley.

ADhDABD. Simpson Bentley.

ADhDABe. ALMIRA HANNAH BENTLEY (Anc. IV.4., Be:FDDDABe., Ba:Aae.), b 2.9.1836 (?), d 12.11.1922., AE 88 y 9 mos, Goderich, Huron Co., Ontario, Canada (Be425.); m **first** 9.17.1850, Pickering, Ontario, Canada, **JOHN SARLES (Anc. IV.3., Sa:CDJ., Sh:AeJ.)**. ALMIRA and JOHN had these three CH:

ADhDABea. Almedia Jane Sarles, b 1854.

ADhDABeB. Frederick James Sarles, b 1858.

ADhDABec. SARAH ELIZABETH SARLES (III.2., Sa:CDJc., Sh:AeJc., Be:FDDDABec., Ba:Aaec.), b 11.5.1859, Whitby Twp, Ontario Co., Ontario, Canada; d 10.11.1949, Drayton, Walsh Co., ND; m 6.18.1885, Hamilton, Dakota Territory (ND, U.S.A., to **JOHN STEWART (III.1, St:ABC., Al:aAbC.)**, b 8.25.1857, Harriston, Wellington Co., Ontario, Canada, d 5.31.1948, Drayton, Walsh Co., ND; their CH: (**A**) Peter J. Stewart, (**b**) Elmyra Katie Stewart, (**C**) Herbert A. Stewart, (**D**) James B. Stewart, (**E**) RALPH J. STEWART, and (**F**) Peter D. Stewart. Selected DESC:

ADhDABecA. Peter James Stewart.

Sp:

Reunion of the Upland and New Ulm Stewarts in Long Beach, CA, March 24, 1978, on the occasion of Ralph's 82nd Birthday. Back, l to r: James A. Stewart, Ralph J. Stewart, Vinnie M. (Gjere) Stewart. Front, l to r: William M. Stewart, **Be:FDDDABecECB., Sp:ADhDABecECB.,** Mary V. (Martin) Stewart, and James C. Stewart, **Be:FDDDABecECA., Sp:ADhDABecECA.**

ADhDABecb. Elmyra Katie Stewart.

ADhDABecC. Herbert Alexander Stewart.

ADhDABecD. James Buchanan Stewart.

ADhDABecE. RALPH JOHN STEWART (II.1., St:ABCE., Al:aAbCE., Sa:CDJcE., Sh:AeJcE., Be:FDDDABecE., Ba:AaecE.), b 3.24.1896, Drayton, Walsh Co., ND; m 6.30.1924, Cando, Towner Co., ND, to **VINNIE MERCEDES GJERE (II.2., Mi:ABdgbaaFEa., Mi:ABdfeiadEa., Gj:aFEa., Os:ama.)**, b 4.27.1899, Hatton, Traill Co., ND; d 6.13.80, Rochester, MN, bur New Ulm, MN; their three CH (see pp. 1886-87):

ADhDABecEA. Cameron Ralph Stewart, b 5.31.1927, New Ulm, Brown Co., MN; res (1982): Long Beach and El Monte, CA.

ADhDABecEB. John Louis Stewart, twin, b 5.10.1930, New Ulm, Brown Co., MN; res (1982): Rochester, MN.

ADhDABecEC. James Adin Stewart, twin, b 5.10.1930, New Ulm, Brown Co., MN; res (1982): Upland, CA.

Cameron R. Stewart, **Be:FDDDABecEA.** and **Sp:ADhDABecEA.,** sailing smoothly off the coast of Long Beach, CA, comments, "You don't have to be a bronco buster to successfully conclude genealogical research, but it would surely help."

ADhDABecF. Peter Dewey Stewart.

ALMIRA HANNAH BENTLEY (anc. IV.4., Sp:ADhDABe.) m **secondly** 1.17.1861, Ashburn, Whitby Twp, Ontario Co., Ontario, Canada, to James Winmill. ALMIRA and James had these eleven CH:

ADhDABeD. William Winmill.

ADhDABee. Mary Amelia Winmill.

ADhDABeF. Myron Thomas Winmill.

ADhDABeG. Albert Winmill.

ADhDABeH. Robert Henry Winmill.

ADhDABeI. Frank Eldred Winmill.

ADhDABej. Frances Ellen Winmill.

ADhDABek. Ida Winmill.

ADhDABel. Mina Winmill.

ADhDABeM. Albert Oscar Winmill.

ADhDABen. Effa Maud Winmill.

ADhDABf. Frances Bentley.

ADhDABG. William H. Bentley.

ADhDAc. Almira Bentley.

ADhDAd. Fanny Bentley.

ADhDb. Deborah Bentley.

ADhDC. Elijah Bentley.

ADhDd. anon. Bentley (dtr).

ADhDE. Ira Bentley.

ADhDF. Samuel Bentley.

ADhDg. anon. Bentley (dtr).

ADhE. Benjamin Bentley, Jr., b 5.5.1749, Exeter, RI (Colony of).

ADhF. Gideon Bentley, b 8.12.1750, Exeter, RI (Colony of); d 1.20.1858, AE 107 y, 5 m, 8 d, Constantia, Oswego Co., NY.

ADh?. anon. Bentley, d 1760/1, smallpox, Exeter, RI (Colony of).

ADi. Deliverance Shippee (Sp18.), m 5.18.1740, William Briggs (Sp10.).

AE. David Shippee, b 1674, d 1741, m Hannah (----), d 1758.

AF. Thomas Shippee, m 9.27.1711, Providence, RI (Colony of), to Sarah Place (by Richard Waterman, Justice) (**Providence 1:70**) (Sp13.). Their seven CH (**Providence 1:70**) (Sp13.):

AFa. Rose Shippee, b 3.8.1712, Providence, RI (Colony of).

AFB. Nathan Shippee, b 9.5.1714.

AFC. Joseph Shippee, b 2.8.1717.

AFD. Harry Shippee, b 2.15.1720.

AFe. Margaret Shippee, b 10.15.1722.

AFF. Peter Shippee, b 9.20.1725.

AFg. Sarah Shippee, b 12.22.1728.

AG. Solomon Shippee, b 1677, d 3.13.1734, m Elizabeth (----), d 1733. Solomon was of Providence, Smithfield, RI (Colony of). Records show that on 6.16.1713, he paid taxes of 3s, 9d. Solomon and Elizabeth were blessed with these CH (in hypothetical sequence, acording to J.O. Austin): (**A**) Thomas Shippee, (**B**) Solomon Shippee, Jr., (**C**) Job Shippee, (**d**) Elizabeth Shippee, (**e**) Mehitable Shippee, (**F**) **Christopher Shippee**, (**G**) Samuel Shippee, and (**h**) Mary Shippee. Selected DESC:

AGA. Thomas Shippee.

AGB. Solomon Shippee, Jr.

AGC. Job Shippee.

AGd. Elizabeth Shippee.

AGe. Mehitable Shippee.

Sp:

AGF. Christopher Shippee, b 1720, m 6.20.1746, Narragansette, to **Sarah Chilson** (Chillison, Chillson, Chilston, Chilison) (by Thomas Sayler, Justice) (**Smithfield Marriages, 2:25, 3:66;** and **Narrangansette Historical Record, 4:60**). Their son:

AGFA. Christopher Shippee, b 7.22.1747, d 8.8.1833, m 4.21.1772, Glocester (RI), to **Hannah Harendeen (Herrenden)** (by Justice Johnathon Harris); both bur East Charlemont, MA. Their 12 CH:

AGFAa. Elizabeth Shippee.

AGFAB. George Shippee.

AGFAc. Hannah Shippee.

AGFAd. Sarah Shippee.

AGFAE. Nathan Shippee.

AGFAf. Abigail Shippee.

AGFAg. Debra Shippee.

AGFAH. anon. Shippee (Christopher's son).

AGFAI. Aaron Shippee.

AGFAj. Massea Shippee.

AGFAk. Nancy Shippee.

AGFAL. Christopher Shippee, Jr., b 9.20.1793, South Readsboro, VT, d 3.28.1886, m **first** 10.27.1822, to **Joanna Jillson**, dtr of David Jillson of Richmond, NH, and Sarah Cudworth of Rehoboth, MA; their five CH: **AGFALa.** Fanny Shippee, **AGFALb.** Sally Shippee, **AGFALC.** David Christopher Shippee, **AGFALD. Silas H. Shippee**, and **AGFALe.** Mary Lestina Shippee. **Christopher** m **secondy** 2.4.1846, Nancy Oakes Phillips, b 8.30.1813, d 3.21.1903; their three CH: **AGFALF.** Homer C. Shippee, **AGFALg.** Guelma J. Shippee, and **AGFALH.** LeRoy George Shippee. **Selected son and his DESC:**

AGFALD. Silas H. Shippee, b 7.18.1828, d 11.2.1909, m 1.1.1854, **Phiann Millard**, b 1.20.1834, d 3.2.1921; their CH: **AGFALDa.** Mary Jane Shippee, **AGFALDb. Joanna M. Shippee**, **AGFALDc.** Rosella A. Shippee, **AGFALDd.** Rodella E. Shippee, **AGFALDe.** Eve Shippee, **AGFALDf.** Dora Shippee, **AGFALDG.** Henry C. Shippee, and **AGFALDH.** Edgar C. Shippee. **Selected dtr and her three CH:**

AGFALDb. Joanna M. Shippe, b 12.1.1860, d 12.7.1931, m 12.27.1882, to **Thomas Howard Quick**, b 9.22.1850, d 3.23.1921; their three CH: (**A**) **Harry Lee Quick**, (**b**) Laila Quick, and (**c**) Loala Quick. Selected DESC:

AGFALDbA. Harry Lee Quick, Sr., b 10.23.1883, m 5.30.1913, **Edna May Jackson**, b 5.16.1887; res (1941): Dixon, Lee Co., IL (40 mi. SSW of Rockford, IL); their two sons:

AGFALDbAA. James Howard Quick, 9.27.1915; res (1979) or fate, unknown.

Sp:

AGFALDbAB. Harry Lee Quick, Jr., b 6.8.1923; whereabouts (1979), unknown.

AGFALDbb. Laila Quick.

AGFALDbc. Loala Quick.

AGG. Samuel Shippee.

AGh. Mary Shippee.

Fox. D. R., **Harper's Atlas of American History,** New York: Harper and Brothers Pub., 1920, page 9. Map of "New England, New York and East New Jersey, 1689."

Medfield is a town located in Norfolk Co., in eastern Massachusetts, 17 miles southwest of Boston. It was burned in King Philip's War.

Milton is a town in Norfolk Co., in eastern Massachusetts, located 6 miles south of Boston (now a residential suburb of Boston). It was settled in 1636, incorporated 1662.

Dorchester is a former town (in Suffolk Co.), which has been a ward of the city of Boston since 1868. It was settled in 1630. It extended nearly to the Rhode Island boundary.

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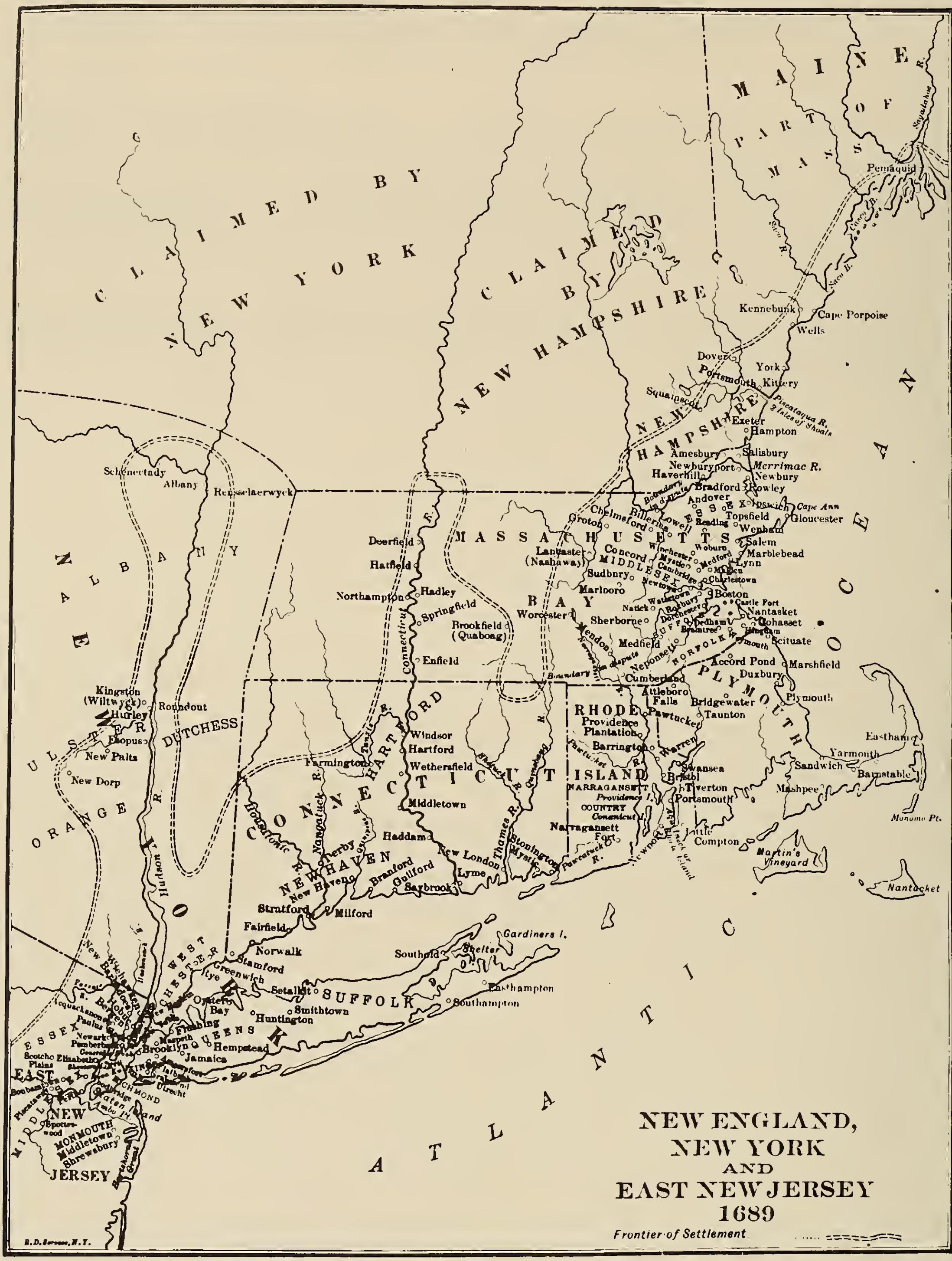

NEW ENGLAND,
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CHRONOLOGY OR TIME LINE FOR THE MATERNAL GRANDMOTHER OF SARAH SHIPPEE, **Sp:ADh.**, MARY (-----) LONG LI(T)CHFIELD HOOPER, ANCESTOR X.200., **ET AL**

Identity of the parents of MARY (Ancestor X.200.) has not been made by this descendant. Her birth place and birth date also remain unknown. The names of any of her probable brothers or sisters or cousins have not been discovered. The information regarding MARY and associates that has surfaced should prove interesting to the reader of the following time line.

Although we do not know the names of her parents, the names of any of her probable brothers and/or sisters, or the names of any other blood relations, **Ancestor X.200. MARY'S** three husbands have been identified. MARY (unknown maiden-surname) was married (1) in 1661/2, to Joseph Long(e) who was presumably the son of Joseph of Dorchester (now a part of Boston) in New England and the grandson of Joseph of Dorset (Dorchester) in England. In 1677, presumably, MARY m (2) **Ancestor X.199. THOMAS LI(T)CHFIELD**, and she lastly m (3) John Hooper in 1690/1.

By her **first** husband Joseph Long(e), MARY had at least five children (probably six — or more?). One of her daughters was Mary Long who lived to the age of 92 years and had two husbands — m (1) to Peter Adams (no issue) and m (2) to Widower Henry Straight of RI Colony (no issue). Ancestor MARY'S children were: Mary (b 1665), Sarah (b 1667), Joseph (b 1669), Hannah (b 1671/2), Alwen (b 1673), and possibly the first-born-child Margaret of Dorchester (there being no birth record, only a marriage record of 1681).

By her **second** husband, MARY'S only and last-born child was **Ancestor IX.100. ANN LI(T)CHFIELD ("LEICHFEILD")** (b 1678, Dorchester). ANN m **Ancestor IX.99. SAMUEL SHIPPEE** of RI Colony and had several children and numerous descendants, including many Bentl(e)ys.

Faced with the awesome task of supporting her children, Widow MARY was granted land in Dorchester in 1676, by the selectmen, shortly after her first husband's death. Leaving her children behind in both Dorchester and Boston ca 1680/1, MARY sailed away alone (without her second husband) from Boston towards England, her mission unrevealed to us. The ship that she was on was captured by pirates, Turks of the Barbary Coast. MARY, along with other passengers and members of the crew, was taken prisoner, enslaved, and held for ransom in Algiers, North Africa.

For her redemption from slavery, money was at least in part contributed by her fellow parishioners of the First Church of Dorchester (MA). However, her release from captivity was not until 1685. She finally returned home to find (1) her apparently inconsiderate and dispassionate husband living with another woman whom he also called "wife" (!), (2) her divorce-minded

After spending several years as a hostage of the Barbary Coast Turks, Ancestor X.200. **MARY** was released from Algerian-pirate captivity in 1685 to return to Boston and Dorchester. Who redeemed her? Why did she travel from Boston enroute to England? Yvonne DeCarlo illustrates MARY'S predicament. From the motion picture **Slave Girl** (Universal, 1947). Courtesy of Universal Pictures.

daughter Mary (then living and working in RI) having separated from a mean and disrespectful husband of a hasty marriage, and (3) her other dependent children undoubtedly in no better circumstances surely than when she left them.

Why did MARY decide to take the trip to England when she did? Perhaps, in her mind when she left, she did have the future welfare and security of her children as the foremost motivation to go after all. Was there a part of some unclaimed estate in England that her children might have been heirs to? Specifically, did she believe that she could successfully claim part of the supposedly unclaimed (??) Longe Estate in England as a legacy for her children who were direct descendants (**i.e.**, great-grandchildren) of will-maker Joseph Longe of Broad Magna, Dorset (Dorchester), England? No other hypothesis seems feasible to explain her motivation to travel to England at that particular time of her life.

According to the records, MARY faced a number of unexpected reverses. Grieving the deaths of several offspring who predeceased her was among the sorrows MARY experienced. Apparently throughout her life she remained a faithful Christian attending the First Church of Dorchester with her friends. Fortunately, MARY lived long enough to see her youngest child ANN married in 1702. Before June 9, 1703, Ancestor MARY of Dorchester, Suffolk County (MA), passed away.

In **June 1630**, although no record of his arrival has been found, **MARY'S** first-future-husband **Joseph Long's father** also named Joseph Long — who, in turn, was son of **Joseph Longe**, gentleman, of Broad Magna, Dorset (Dorchester), England — **may** well have been one of the original settlers in New England (Massachusetts) who arrived on the "Mary and John" with Winthrop's fleet coming from Dorchester, England, where his father was a member of the Dorchester Company. **MARY's** husband **Joseph's** grandfather **Joseph Longe**, of Broad Magna, Dorset, is likely the same **Joseph Longe** of Frome Bassett, Dorset, 1606, son of **Gyles Longe**, innholder of London, Holborn St. Sepulchres Next Newgate, whose **Will** in 1607 names a sister Elizabeth, a brother John, London innholder, kin Gyles and John Longe, London innholder, and children Robert, White Swan Inn, Anne, Richard, White Swan Inn, **Joseph**, Jacob (or James), and Gyles. **Robert Longe**, 1590-1663, inholder of Charlestown, Mass., Dunstable in Bedfordshire, and St. Albans, near London, is thought to belong to this family (Sp50., Sp59.).

In **1636 ca, William Lane**, maternal grandfather of **Joseph Long** who married **MARY** (-----), came to Dorchester (Colonial MA) (Sp34.A.).

On **May 22, 1651, MARY'S** future-husband **Joseph Long's** father **Joseph's** wife **Mary (Lane)** was given liberty to remarry by the court in Massachusetts Bay Colony, persuaded to believe her husband **Joseph** was dead because he was last heard of from London prior to this date, **he having returned to**

England for the settlement of his father's estate. Mary (Lane) Long married **secondly Joseph Farn(s)worth** and **thirdly Joseph Wilcox, Jr. Joseph Long** and his brother **Thomas Long** were believed to have been the only children of **Joseph** and **Mary (Lane) Long**. Although **no** descendants from **Joseph** are known to have been traced beyond his children, many Connecticut and Vermont **Longs** can be traced back to **Thomas** (Sp53.).

In **1654 ca**, **William Lane of Dorchester** died; his daughter Mary (Lane) Long Farn(s)worth was later to become MARY'S mother-in-law (Sp34.B.).

By **1655**, **Mary (Lane) Long's** husband **Joseph's** brothers Giles, Jasper, and William, and sisters Elisabeth and Anne, were all dead, except **William Longe**, gentleman, a younger half-brother, then living in Dorchester, England (Sp53., Sp58.).

On "**September 29, 1655**," these statements were made in England:

> **Joseph Longe** gent. now deceased settled lands in Broad Magna, County Dorset, called Talbot's tenement and another parcel called Bradford's on his **William Longe** of Broad Magna or Magna Martell gent. The complainant was **Matthew Derby** of Dorchester gent., who claimed **William Longe** granted the premises to him before June 1654. The respondents were William Longe, Richard Savage of Dorchester woollen draper and Josiah Terry of Dorchester haberdasher. **Joseph Long** and his wife are now deceased. By a former wife **Joseph** had issue Elizabeth, Giles, Jasper, **Joseph** and Anne, all of whom except **Joseph**, who dwelt in New England, died without issue. **Joseph, who died in New England, is thought to have had issue as he had 200 pounds from his father's estate**.

This last statement contradicts what was known in **New England** at the time — that **Joseph Long disappeared in England before receiving an anticipated legacy of 60 pounds**. Perhaps some day we shall know what actually did happen (Sp58., also Sp54.).

In **1659**, the Constables Creditor to Dorchester Town impremise paid one pound for a "Wolfe to **Joseph Long** and **Israel Mead**" (Sp44.-Rec. 133.).

On **January 2, 1659, Joseph Farnworth of Dorchester** wrote his **Will**. The inventory of his estate was taken the "11 mo. 20th day 1659" (January 20, 1659/60)

> . . . I give unto my wife **Mary**, the some of fowrescore pounds for portions for her two Children w'ch she had by her other husband, namely, **Joseph Long** and **Thomas Long**; to dispose of the same to them, when & as she shall see meete, whether alike proportion to both, or to one & ye other lesse, Considering theire dutie & behavior towards her as theire mother . . . (Sp60., Sp59.).

On **February 3, 1661/2,** *i.e.* "the 3rd day of the 12th month of 1661," **MARY (-----)** (Anc. X.200.) was married to **Joseph Long** in **Dorchester** (Colonial MA) by "the Honorable Governor" (Sp33.A., Sp21.).

On March 11, 1662/3, *i.e.*, "11 (1) 1662 or 1663," it was voted that **Joseph Long** had liberty to take ten trees for the building of a house: in the 500 acres laid out for non-commoners (Sp44.-Rec. 147).

On **June 9, 1665**, *i.e.*, 9th day 4th month 1665, **Mary Long**, the daughter of **Joseph Long** (and presumably **MARY**), was born in Dorchester, Massachusetts Bay Colony, New England (Sp33.B., Sp21.).

In **1666**, **MARY'S** husband **Joseph Long's** brother **Thomas Long** married (first of two) **Sarah Wilcox**, b 1648 (Sp50.).

On **September 3, 1667**, *i.e.*, "3d (mo:7) 1667," **Sarah Long**, the daughter of **Joseph Long** (and presumably **MARY**), was born in Dorchester (Sp33.C.).

On **January 13, 1667/8**, *i.e.*, "13th (11) 1667," **Joseph Long** was named on a list as having ten acres in the field commonly called "The Great Lots" to pay one penny per acre for maintenance of gates for 1667 (Sp44.-Rec. 190).

On **March 9, 1667/8**, *i.e.* "9th of the (1) 1667/8," the Dorchester Selectmen appointed "**Joseph Long** and **Isoch Joanes**" as fence viewers for the "feild before **Enoch Wiswals**" (Sp44.-Rec. 193.).

In **1668**, Dorchester, among 46 owners of the "Great Lots" embracing 754 acres, was **Joseph Long**, 10 acres (Sp34.A.).

On **December 14, 1668**, i.e. "14th (10) 1668," **Joseph Long** and **Thomas Bird** were named as refusing to be bound to "**Frances Oliver**" who desired liberty to stay in the town but was again warned to leave (Sp44.-Rec.200).

On **August 31, 1669**, *i.e.* "31 (mo:6) 1669," **Joseph Long, Jr.**, the son of **Joseph Long** (and presumably MARY), was born in Dorchester (Sp33.D.).

On **May 16, 1670**, *i.e.* "16 (3) 1670," at a meeting of Dorchester Selectmen, those persons named having defective fences included **Joseph Long, Timothy Tilston**, and **Timothy Mather** (Sp44.-Rec. 216).

On **September 12, 1670**, *i.e.* "12 (7) 70," at a meeting of the Dorchester Selectmen, a warrant was issued out to Constable Thomas Davenport to take fines for defective fence at "great lots and ludlows neck" of **Elder John Wiswall, Mr. Mather, John Wales**, and **Joseph Long** (J.L. "for 2 rods and half" (Sp44.-Rec.218).

In **1671**, SAMUEL SHIPPEE, who later became the husband of MARY'S daughter ANN LITCHFIELD, was born to DAVID and MARGARET (SCRANTON) SHIPPEE (Spl., Sp8.).

On "**April 3, 1671**," Middletown (Colonial CT), **Mary (Lane) Long Farnsworth Wilcox** named, among others, in her **Will** her son Joseph Long: "Moreover, she gave unto her sonn **Joseph Long** the Bill shee had of him for Land he Bought of her." Thomas Long was not named; but Sarah (Wilcox) Long was (Sp61.).

On "**September 7, 1671**," the **Will** of Mary, the late wife of John Wilcox, was exhibited and approved (Sp61.).

On **December 11, 1671**, a "Joseph Long" of Dorchester was sent for, to answer for entertaining a maid, or young woman, in his house and service, who was not of any good report. His answer was, she was to depart the town the next day (Sp34.D.).

On **February 3, 1671/2**, *i.e.* "3d (mo:12) 1671," **Hannah Long**, the daughter of Joseph Long (and MARY), was born in Dorchester (Sp33.G., Sp52.F.).

On **November 28, 1673**, *i.e.* "28th (mo:9) 1673," **Alwen Long**, the son of Joseph Long (and undoubtedly MARY), was born in Dorchester (Sp33.H.). Why was he named **Alwen**?

On **March 9, 1673/4**, *i.e.* "9 (1) 73/4," at a meeting of the Dorchester Selectmen, **Joseph Long** presented a petition to have liberty to sell cider "the which petition is on file" (Sp44.-Rec.261).

On **April 2, 1675**, Thomas Mitchell of Malden was a prisoner of Moseley (Sp62.A.). Later, both he and MARY would be enslaved in Algiers.

In **1676**, MARY'S daughter (?) Mary Long, "age 10," was named as a young maid in Dorchester, according to the Records of the First Church at Dorchester (Sp35.).

On "April 24, 1676," at Punckapauge during King Philip's War, the names of **Joseph Long** (00-09-00) and **John Spurr** (00-09-00) appeared on the payroll (Sp66.).

On "**August 26, 1676**," MARY'S husband "**Joseph Longe Sen'r**" died in Dorchester (Sp33.J., Sp24.).

On **October 5, 1676**, a "Thomas Mitchell" is named as one of the pirates with Cornelius Anderson who was captured by Capt. Samuel Moseley, according to ans. of Gov. and Council to complaint of Ambassador of Holland." (Sp62B.). Was he the same person for whom with MARY collection was made by the First Church of Dorchester for redemption from Turkish pirates in Algiers later?

On "**December 4, 1676**," the widow MARY LONG was granted one-quarter acre in the Town of Dorchester by the Town Selectmen (Sp36.B.).

In **1677**, Constable John Baker did **not** collect a debt of one shilling two pence owed by "THOMAS LEICHFEILD" as reported in the account of November 8, 1680 ("8 9 80") (Sp44.-Rec.335).

In **1677 ca**, MARY (-----) LONG married **secondly** THOMAS LI(T)CHFIELD (Sp21., no primary doc.).

On **March 1, 1678**, East Greenwich (Colonial RI), Henry Straight's son John was born (Sp23.).

On "**August 18, 1678**," ANN, the daughter of "THOMAS LEICHFEILD" (and presumably MARY), was born in Dorchester (Sp33.K.).

On **March 20, 1678/9**, Boston, at a meeting of the selectmen of Boston, it was ordered that a Warrant be granted to the Constable to "leavy upon the Estate of **Robert Sedgwicke** 20 shillings for entertaineing of THOMAS LEACHFEILD contrary to a towne order" (Sp37.A.).

On **April 28, 1679**, Boston, "THO. LITCHFEILD and his Family come from Dorchester;" they were among several persons ordered to be returned to the court (Sp37.B.).

On **July 29, 1679**, 42 Narragansett settlers (Colonial RI) petitioned King Charles II regarding which colony had jurisdiction over them (see Be205.).

Before August 18, 1679 (more accurate date possible), **Alexander Johnson** was reported to be at "**Widow Longs** or in Prison" (Sp37.C.-item 124).

On **November 10, 1679**, in the procedings of the General Assembly (Colonial RI) at Newport, "**Henry Straite**" of East Greenwich is named regarding a "Henry Brightman" who surrendered his right to land there (Sp38.).

For the period **1679-81** there are a good number of English references to ships un-named being taken by the Algerines, and a good many other references to their being active in the approaches to the channel and the Mediterranean (Sp64.).

On **December 25, 1679**, **William Harris**, early colonist who had come to Boston in 1630 with his brother **Thomas Harris** and **Roger Williams**, set sail for England to support the cause of Pawtuxet proprietors; and embarked at Boston on the ship **Unity**, Captain Condy. **Harris** was appointed by Connecticut leaders as their agent to support their claims to the Narragansett country, as against Rhode Island. On this his fourth trip within the year, he did **not** reach England and meet with King Charles II (Sp27.).

About Christmas **1679**, according to various English sources, **William Harris** left New England for England and was captured and taken to Algiers. "He appears to have left in some stealth, and the ship is not named." It seems clear that some people in New England were **not** at all unhappy that his mission was delayed[1] by his capture. In **1680** there are references to "five or six of our vessels lost to Turkish pirates" (Sp64.).

On **January 24, 1680**, the vessel in which William Harris, former RI resident but CT colonist at the time, had embarked was taken by an "Algerine corsair," and he was sold in Barbary. After more than a year's slavery, he was ransomed at a high figure, of which sum the colony of Connecticut paid 289 pounds, nine shillings, and seven pence (Sp27.).

On **April 5, 1680**, Boston, a document was written in request for contributions to pay the ransom for the redemption of several dwellers of Boston, Charlestown, Malden, Roxbury, Branbery, and other locations from Turkish slavery. The family relations of the captives were unable to pay ransom for them (Sp28.).

[1]His mission was never completed.

On **April 6, 1680**, while in captivity at Algiers on the Barbary Coast of North Africa, **William Harris** wrote one of several letters to his wife (Sp27.) (contents unknown to this searcher).

On **May 24, 1680**, in her petition to the General Court, **Mrs. Martha Dadey** requested help in liberating her son who had been up to that time held in **captivity** by the **Turks** for eighteen months. The answer of the committee was that the Court could not order the people to give money, but it could ask for private charity (as they shall see meet) to release those in captivity who went out upon their own private concerns without particular employ for the republique. The order of the Deputies approved the answer of the committee to the petition of Martha Dady (Dadey) (Sp29.).

On **June 22, 1680**, a report reached England that the Turks of Leghorn had seized two English ships bound for Smyrna — the **Hunter** and the **Thomas & Francis** (Sp64.).

In a letter dated **February 2, 1680/1**, Algiers, some of the captured ships were listed including the **William & Mary** of New England bound for London, **July 21, 1680** (Sp64.).

On **February 27, 1680/1**, "27th day of the 12th month of 1680," MARY LITCHFIELD of Dorchester and Thomas Mitchell of Malden were two people who were not forgotten by the members of the First Church of Dorchester. On that date "ther was a Contribution for **Goody Leichfeild** and **Mitchell of Malden** at w'ch tim ther was Colected & ye next day sent in to ye Sume of 11-17-9 of w'ch about 7 pound in p'ticuler for **leichfeld** & ye rest to be devided" (Sp35.-item 113). This contribution helped in the eventual redemption of MARY LITCHFIELD from enslavement by the Turkish pirates in Algiers.

Likely ca **1680** (record not dated), in a letter written to **Simon Bradstreet**, colonial governor of Massachusetts, **Thomas Jenner** of Charlestown and others wrote:

> Humbly sheweth by way of suplicateing your Honored . . . able a pitance on y'de behalfe of Benjamin Mirick a maried man of Charlestowne, Phillip Drinker (spell?), W'm March, **Thomas Mitchill**,[1] Michaell Newcombe, **Batchlers** all of Charlestowne, Benj. Basterd, Rodger Babell of Boston whome are all in Slavery in Algier, as by sundry letters from their owne hands, And allsoe ye inabillaty of all their Relations to helpe them with any Releife in order to their Deliverance out of this thraledume and sad slavery Humbly craveing your Honored furtherance of this Charitable worke for ye puting it in Exicution and wee shall Ever Pray for all your Honored health and prosperitie as in duty bound Ye Honored Humble Sirvants (Sp63.).

Between **1680 ca** and **1685 ca**, MARY (-----) LONG LI(T)CHFIELD is the only female captive of the "**Barbarous Turks**" mentioned in the records

[1]Was Thomas "Michell" of Malden, captive in Algiers, the same as this person "Thomas Mitchill" of Charlestown?

this searcher has seen. Her precise destination in England before her capture and the purpose of her trip have **not** been revealed with certainty. Detailed inside-information is lacking (Sp22.).

On **June 15, 1681**, at a meeting of all the Selectmen, it was ordered and agreed with **Deacon (Henery) Allen** that **the widdow Longe** be allowed 6 shillings per week for her present releife untill her house be disposed of to supply her wants, 4 shillings to be paid by **Deacon Allen**, and 2 shillings by the town treasurer (Sp37.D.-item 140).

In **1681**, **Thomas Long (Joseph's** brother) and his **first** wife **Sarah Wilcox** were divorced; she married secondly **David Ensign** after 1688 (Sp68.A.).

On **November 18, 1681**, a person of Dorchester named **Margaret Long** (quite possibly a daughter of MARY) married **Thomas Pope. Thomas Pope**, b 1643, m first 1670, **Dorchester**, to **Elizabeth Merrifield**, **Henry's** dtr (Sp67., Sp33.L.).

An English reference of **1681** reveals that no less than **2,500 English captives** were held at **Algiers** (Sp64.).

On **December 5, 1681**, *i.e.* "the fifth day of the 10th month of 1681," "THOMAS LEICHFEILD" presented a petition to have liberty to sell his wife's house and ground. The petition was placed on file. The town by a vote determined that it should be left to the Selectmen to consider and determine the matter (Sp44.-Rec.353).

> . . . **the said MARY LONG Widow again Married with one THOMAS LITCHFIELD after which in a Voyage from Boston in New England towards England she was taken by the Enemy and Carried into Algier where for sometime before her Redemption she remained a Captive and in the meantime her then Husband** the said **THOMAS LITCHFIELD** by his petition presented to the Inhabitants of Dorchester at a General Town Meeting held the 5th: December: 81: Craved Liberty of said Town to Sell his said Wifes house and ground . . . (Sp36.B.).

On **December 12, 1681**, *i.e.* "The 12: day of the 10th moneth (81)," in answer to the petition of "**THOMAS LEICHFIELD**" the Selectmen ordered that the land that was given to the **WIDOW LONG** shall not be sold nor alienated to any person or persons whatsoever either by him or any of his successors without the consent of the selectmen of Dorchester . . . the consent of his wife, therein . . . (Sp44.-Rec. 353).

On "**January 4, 1682**," Dorchester, MARY'S daughter **Mary Long** (Joseph's dtr) was married to **Peter Adams** ("Adames"), **while MARY was a captive of the Turks** (Sp33.M., Sp22.).

On **January 22, 1682/3**, *i.e.* "22d: 11: 82:," an account was made with the Selectmen including "debts that can not be gotten **Widow LONGE**" totalling four shillings (for **1677**-?) (Sp44.-Rec. 332).

On **March 5, 1684/5**, Boston, **MARY (-----) LONG LITCHFIELD** petitioned for the divorce of her **daughter Mary (Long) Adams** from **Peter Adams**

to give her daughter the opportunity to marry **Henry Straight** (widower, b 1652, d June 4, 1728, and father of two boys) in Narragansett Country (East Greenwich). The Bill of Divorce was granted (Sp21., Sp22., *et al*).

MARY'S petition of **March 5, 1684/5**, to Governor Simon Bradstreet, Deputy Governor Thomas Danforth, and the Assistants assembled in Boston, follows (for the most part).

> That Whereas yor poore petitionr, in the time of her late Captivitie, with ye Barbarous Turks, did Leave severall young children, in Boston & Dorchester whereof my Daughter Mary was one, and in the time of my Absence, with faire promises & Deluding words, was Deluded by one Peter Adams, in somuch that her affections was so engaged thereby that she disposed of herselfe in marriage unto him, since wch time God had so left ye sd Peter Adams unto himselfe, yt he fell into many Inormious[1] Crimes & wicked practises in a special manner, in breaking that Comandemt of ye Lord (thou shalt not steale) for wch transgression, our honorable & Godly Rullers, in ye time yrof, did see just cause to prosecute ye Law proveded for Delinquents in such cases upon the said Peter Adams, By wch meanes he was transported out of this country for about two yeares a goe. And before yt time, he carrjed it so wickedly to my Daughter, and so Infidel like, yt instead of providing for her, tooke from her, her wearing apparrell, And Left her almost naked, mor Like and Injan than a Christian, swearing most Abominably, threatening to split her open, calling my Daughter Mary Damd whore comanding her to give him his hatt & severall times beating & abusing of her, since wch time he hath never come nigh my daughter nor provided for her, neither for meate, Drinke, cloathing nor Lodging, neither had my Daughter any way to subsist but what she earned for a considerable time by hard working. And about a yeares time she hath Received kindness from Henry Strait in Narrowganset by being intertained in his familie, In wch time ye said Strait & my Daughter Mary, have Declared unto yor humble Petitionr that they Desire to be married together, And in order thereto the aforesd Strait is now come to me, and left my Daughter in Road Island Coloney, and upon my Daughters Request to me, yor humble Petitionr, causeth me humbly to request yor honors, on the behalfe of my sd Daughter, yt yor honors would be pleased to grant her A Bill of Devorse, yt yrby her liberty may be enlarged for her more Comfortable subsistance, so hopeing yt yor honors upon yor Christian & prudent consideration of the premises, you will see just cause to accept of my humble request... (Sp22.).

In **1684/5**, Mary (Long) Adams m **secondly** Henry Straight, Sr. (his second marriage also) (Sp21.).

In **March and April of 1685, Charles Jonson** visited the house where THOMAS LI(T)CHFIELD lived. On **September 8, 1685**, in Boston, **Charles Jonson**, aged about 26 y, testified before Commissioner John Joyliffe that "I

[1] Inormious: ignominious.

being at Pensalvana In — March and Aprill 1685 I chanced severall times to go on shore to the house where **THOMAS LITCHFEILD** lived and saw there a woman which he upon severall occasions called wife and by Report of the people there he lived with her as her husband & further not(e) when I was ashore on my ocasions the said **LITCHFIELD** Did Send for Sugar for his Wife's lying Inn" (Sp52.C.).

On **June 6, 1685**, in Boston, before Commissioner John Joyliffe, **Pilgrim Simkins** testified that he quartered in "THOMAS LEITCHFEILD'S House" and "**asked him the reason why he did not go home to his wife seeing that she is redeemed out of Captivity and is now at Boston** he said also that he would come to **roxbury** and Devorce himselfe from his former wife MARY LEITCHFEILD and Live with his Last wife he also owned that **he had a Child by her**" (Sp30.). How and why did this "**Pilgrim Simkins**" gain such intimate knowledge of THOMAS LICHFIELD'S wives and child?

On **June 19, 1685**, Kingstown (Narragansett Country in Colonial RI) WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y and wife SARAH (-----) became parents of THOMAS BENTL(E)Y (Be111.), who was to later become the father-in-law of MARY's dtr ANN'S dtr SARAH SHIPPEE, wife of BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y of Exeter (RI).

In **1687**, MARY LECHFIELD, Boston, was taxed eight pence (Sp45.B.).

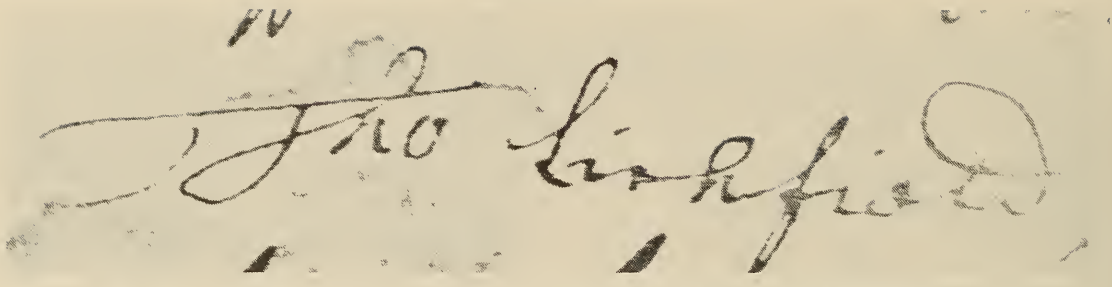
On **March 5, 1687**, MARY LITCHFEILD of Boston and Nathaniell Harding of Boston bound themselves regarding the marriage of MARY'S dtr Hannah Long of Boston to Nathaniell Harding (Sp52.F.).

On **June 6, 1687**, the name of THO. LEACHFIELD appeared on the town tax list (Sp45.A.).

In **1688**, named on a list of tax-payers and their property in Boston was "MARY LEICHFIELD, O" (Sp45.C.).

In **1688**, Margaret (Long) Pope, wife of Thomas Pope, died (Sp67.). Margaret **may** have been a dtr of MARY.

On **April 21, 1690**, MARY ("Goodwife Mary Liechfield") (widow) was questioned during the examination of **Robert Lawrence** regarding the murder of **Robert Fowler**. MARY said that **Robert Lawrence, Robert Fowler** and his wife **Hannah** were drinking together in company at her house one evening the week before; to the best of her remembrance it was **Friday** night, the 18th of April. **Lawrence** stated that he knew not what had become of **Fowler** until he was taken up dead out of the millpond; he said he did not remember he was ever in company of **Robert Fowler** and his wife at GOODWIFE LIECHFIELD'S. **Hannah Fowler** said that on **Tuesday**, the 15th of April in the evening, her husband, **Robert Lawrence** and herself were in company together at **widow** LIECHFIELD'S and drank a pot of beer there. **Mercy Dew** testified that **Robert Lawrence** and the wife of **Robert Fowler** came to her house on **Thursday**, the 17th of April looking for the missing **Robert Fowler** adding that Lawrence had said that Fowler and he were in company



The only known signature of Ancestor X.199. **THOMAS LICHFIELD** appeared on document number 162261 of the Suffolk Court Files dated March 25, 1691, Boston (Sp52A. and B.).

together the evening before, drinking while angry words were passed, although the apparently greatly-concerned and distressed **Lawrence** remarked to **Mercy** that he was clear (Sp31.).

On **October 3, 1690**, Dorchester, a list of "Canady Soldiers" included the names of **Joseph Long** and **Edward Wiatte** (Sp34.C.).

On **January 27, 1690/1**, Boston, MARY "LITCHFEELD" was married to **John Hooper** of Marblehead (Colonial MA) by a Baptist Minister (Sp26.). John Hooper is **not** named in the genealogies for the Marblehead Hoopers, however.

On March 25, 1691, Boston, THOMAS LI(T)CHFIELD signed his name "THO LICHFIELD." On this date the following was written:

> Whereas **Tho. Litchfield** of Boston, obtained a warrant bearing date the 23rd instant to search for stolen goods — Constable George Ellistone, upon search found on board the Barke **John & Mathew**, Mathew Joans Master, severall goods, as upon Returne, upon said warrant may apeare owned by sayd **Tho. Litchfeild** to be his own proper goods, **Mr. Enoch Greenliffe (Greenleafe) owning that he shipped severall goods upon sayd Barque upon Mary Leitchfields account.** Be it knowne to all whome it may Concerne that we **Tho. Litchfield, Joseph Smith, Archer Haoll** (spell?), doe Binds ourselves Joyntly and severally . . . the . . . some of one hundred pounds, to the Trust (?) of the County of Suffolke, that the sayd **Tho: Litchfield**, . . . all proofe . . . the sayed Greenliffe that the . . . court to be held In Boston, for entering into the house of sayed **Litchfield** and carrying or conveying away of the goods mentioned upon the constable's returne, and severall other goods. As witnesse our hands the day and year above written."
>
> "**THO LICHFIELD**" *et al.*

On **March 5, 1693**, "5th of 1st mo of 1693," the name of "**Goodwife Hooper**" appears on a list for new seating in the First Church of Dorchester in "the third Seat Bye Pulpitt" with six other women (Sp35.). "Goodwife Hooper" is, of course, MARY (-----) LONG LI(T)CHFIELD HOOPER (Ancestor X.200.).

On **May 2, 1693**, a man named "**Thomas Litchfield**" married **Sarah Davis** in Amesbury (Colonial MA) (Sp51.). Whether or not this Thomas Litchfield was the ex-husband of MARY (-----) LONG LI(T)CHFIELD HOOPER remains a mystery.

On **October 21, 1693**, **Henry Straight** of East Greenwich, Colonial RI, wheelwright and **Mary** his wife, and **MARY LONG**, alias **MARY LITCHFIELD**, alias **MARY HOOPER**, mother of said **Mary**, sold three acres of pasture in Dorchester, formerly **Joseph Long's** lot (Sp36.A.).

On **February 12, 1694/5**, a "Peter Adams" was married to Mary Webb in Braintree (Colonial MA) (Sp68.B.). This Peter Adams **probably** is not the one who was divorced by MARY'S dtr Mary (Long) Adams to marry Henry Straight.

On **April 18, 1695**, **Perez Savage's** first will was proved after his death as a captive of the Turks at Mequinez, in Barbary (French Morocco) had been determined. His nephew **Thomas Thacher**, a fellow captive, survived and was redeemed with contributions by general concert of town and country churches (Sp43.).

On **March 28, 1696**," one of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace" in the "County of Suffolke" requested the Constables to arrest MARY (-----) LITCHFIELD HOOPER and Nathaniel Wyat and to summon the named witnesses because "Information and Complaint being made unto me by **Jacob Amsden** Waiter and Searcher for the Dutys of Excise That **Mary Litchfield** al **Hooper** of Dorchester & **Nathaniel Wyat** of the same place do presume to sell Cyder, Rhum, or both or other strong drink without license, contrary to the Law in such case made and provided."

Both MARY and Nathaniel were accused by Amsden as having sold rum or cider without license sometime about **January** or **February** (of 1696). Each had had one conviction previously (Sp52.D., Sp52.E.).

In **April 1696**, both MARY LITCHFIELD HOOPER and Nathaniel Wyat were finally convicted by their own confession of selling Cider without license and fined forty shillings apiece as the law directed and two shillings six pence charges for Wyat and eighteen pence for MARY HOOPER. Wyat was ordered committed until he paid (Sp52.D.).

On **June 18, 1696**, **Thomas Long** complained in a probate record that he had not received that part of deceased **Edward Elmer's** estate promised him in right of his wife. The court ordered that the administrators of the estate lay out Thomas Long's land to him (Sp65.).

On **February 13, 1696/7**, **Henry Straight, Jr.** was married (Sp23.).

On **December 18, 1697**, **DAVID SHIPPEE** of East Greenwich (Colonial RI) deeded to **his son SAMUEL SHIPPEE** a 90-acre farm in East Greenwich (Sp8.).

On **December 5, 1698**, "the 5th day of the 10th month of 1698," **MARY (-----) LONG LICHFIELD HOOPER**, known as "Goodwife Hooper" in the First Church at Dorchester, was seated at the women's table in the "third Seat Bye Pulpitt" for six other women and herself (Sp35.-item 252).

In **1702**, **Elisabeth Long** in the First Church at Dorchester laid hold on the Covenant and was baptised at that time (Sp35.-item 232.).

In about **July of 1702**, **Elis. Long** was examined and propounded for laying hold of the Covenant in the Church (Sp35.-item 152). She has **not** been identified with the other Longs of Dorchester..

On **December 29, 1702**, East Greenwich, RI Colony, **MARY'S daughter ANN LI(T)CHFIELD, ae 24 y, was married to SAMUEL SHIPPEE** (Sp15.A. and Be269.).

On **June 9, 1703**, **Henry Straight** of East Greenwich (Colonial RI), wheelwright, **and Mary his wife, daughter of MARY LONG, formerly a widow but since called MARY LITCHFIELD and lastly MARY HOOPER, "lately deceased,"** for 31 pounds sold to **Ephraim Howard** of Dorchester, Suffolk Co., one-quarter acre in Dorchester granted her on the "4th day of the 10th monthe of **1676**" (Sp36.B.).

On **July 30, 1703, "SAMUEL SHIPPEY" of East Greenwich (RI) and ANNE his wife**, for a settlement of 9 pounds 18 shillings 6 pence, released to their "**brother Henry Straight and Mary his wife**" their interest in the house and land in Dorchester, formerly owned by **MARY HOOPER "their late Mother MARY," mother of Mary Straight and ANNE SHIPPEY (SHIPPEE)** (Sp36.C.). Payment was received on **August 24, 1703.**

On **May 30, 1705**, **John Straight**, b March 1, 1678, East Greenwich, was married (Sp23.).

In **1709**, a person named "**Thomas Mitchell**" died, ae 81 y (Sp68.C.). Was he Thomas Mitchell of Charlestown and/or of Malden?

On **February 4, 1711/12**, Hartford, CT Colony, the estate of **MARY'S** husband **Joseph Long's** brother **Thomas Long** was administered (Sp50.). **Thomas Long** died in **1712**, Windsor, CT (Sp59.).

On **June 4, 1728, MARY'S** daughter **Mary's** husband **Henry Straight, Sr.**, died at East Greenwich (RI Colony) (Sp21.).

On **June 29, 1728**, the **Will** of **Henry Straight, Sr.**, was proved (having been written 5.15.1728) (Sp23.). His wife **Mary** and his sons **Henry** and **John** are named; the name of his sons' mother, *i.e.* his first wife, remains unknown (Sp21.).

On **July 5, 1740**, **SAMUEL SHIPPY** of Greenwich (RI) wrote his **Will** (approved **September 27, 1740**; Inventory of Goods dated **August 22, 1740**) and named **his wife ANN and their daughter SARAH BENTLEY** (among others) (Sp18.and Be267.).

Sp:Anc:

On **September 15, 1750**, **MARY'S** daughter **Mary (Long) Adams Straight** wrote her **Will** naming "sister" **ANN SHIPPEE** (actually her half-sister) and "cousin" **SARAH BENTLY** (actually her half-niece, *i.e.*, **ANN'S** dtr) (Sp19.).

In **May/June 1752**, named in an Inventory (recorded **6/4/1752**) is "**ANNE SHIPPEY Late of East Greenwich, Widow, deceased**;" her then-"Eldest Son" **Stephen** administered the estate (Be268.).

For **September 2, 1754**, an old deed in Exeter Town (Recorded January 14, 1755) contains the names of "**BENJAMIN BENTLY, JUN.**, of Exeter" and "**SARAH BENTLY** wife of the Said **BENJAMIN BENTLY**" who sold a lot of 2½ acres in Exeter Town (in "Kings Co." of RI Colony) (Sp20. and Be266.).

On **July 30, 1757**, the **Will** of **MARY'S daughter Mary Straight** was proved (Sp19.). **Mary (Long) Adams Straight d ae 92 y**, childless (Sp15.C.).

In **1760/61**, **BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y'S** wife **SARAH SHIPPEE** and their youngest child died in Exeter, victims of smallpox (see **Be:FDD.**, refer to Be270.G.). Other children of **BENJAMIN** and **SARAH** included **Caleb (Be:FDDA.)**, **Joseph (Be:FDDB.)**, **Thomas (Be:FDDC.)**, **SAMUEL (Be:FDDD.)**, **Benjamin (Be:FDDE.)**, and **Gideon (Be:FDDF.)**. These brothers were six of Ancestor (X.200.) **MARY'S** great-grandchildren who have many living descendants throughout the United States and Canada in the twentieth century.

Sisters **Janet** and **Nancy Stewart (Be:FDDDABecEbc.** and **b)** of Rochester, MN, are 8th-great-granddaughters of **MARY** and **THOMAS LICHFIELD.** In **August of 1982**, Nancy entered the prestigious Boston U. Law School.In **1982**, Janet, her brother David, and their parents visited Nancy in Boston. At the time they did not know that they were descended from Boston ancestors **MARY** and **THOMAS** who lived there 300 years before (**SP:ADhDABecEB-A., -b.,** and **-c.**). They toasted Janet who left for Bonn, Germany, to study for a year.

SOURCES OF EVIDENCE INTRODUCING THE SHIPPEE FAMILY GROUP

Sp1. Warwick, RI, Book 1 for Marriages and Births, page 1.

August the 15th 1664
David Shippee of **Maidfeilds** & Margrett Scranton Late of Warwick now off Prudence Island Joyned in Mariage At Warwicke, by me Walter Todd Generall Assistant ther being present of ye maids kindred her brother and brother in law her two sisters & other neibors, Edmund / / / Calverley[1] Towne Clarke with ye maids concent did give her in mariage / / /

Ident.: DAVID SHIPPEE (anc. X.197.) was married Aug. 15, 1664, Warwick (now in Kent Co., Rhode Island), to **MARGARET SCRANTON (anc. X.198.)**. Warwick is located on Narragansett Bay just 10 mi. S of Providence. Warwick was settled in 1643; it was admitted to "Incorporation of Providence Plantations" in 1647. DAVID and MARGARET are ancestors of all of the descendants of **BENJAMIN BENTLEY (VIII.49., Be:FDD.)** and wife **SARAH SHIPPEE (VIII.50., Sp:ADh.)**.

Sp2. East Greenwich, **Land Evidence**, Book 1, Page 19A: document dated March 17, 1681 and/or 1682.

Henery Matteson and wife Hanna Matteson "now living in Est Greenwich" sold to David Shippee dwelling house and land.

Sp3. East Greenwich, March 18, 1684/5, **Land Evidence**, Book 1, page 18A.

This Indenture made in the years of our Lord God one thousand six hundred eighty four or five (sp?) wittnesseth that John Knight now living in Est Greenwich in the Collony of Rhoadisland and Providence Plantations by and with Consent of my wife that now is Anna Knight . . . Land being known by the name of the eight farme on the first Division and is nin(e)ty acres, bee it more or less and in the bounds of the s'd Est Greenwich and is butted on the fourth (?) farme in the s'd first Devision sold unto **David Shippee** in Kings Province in s'd Collony. To him and his . . . the eighteenth day of March and in the Years above mentioned."

Wit.: Henery Matteson
John Heath

(signed) John Knight
Anna Knight
her A marke

Sp4. East Greenwich, **Land Evidence**, Book 1, Page 16A; document dated November 27, 1685. The names appearing at the close are: David Shippee (his — marke) and John Greene. Witnesses were John Heath and James Greene, Juni'r. Added note: "Above Copy y Extracted out of the originall and Compared by mee John Heath Clarke of the Towne entered Aprill ye

[1]Austin, J. O., **Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island**, p. 35: Edmund Calverly, in 1664, was the Town Clerk (or the "Towne Clarke") in Warwick (RI).

22'd 1686." The particulars of this document have not been studied by this searcher.

Sp5. East Greenwich, **Land Evidence**, Book 1, Page 71A; document dated October 13, 1688. **David Shippee**, "Husbandman, nowe living in Rochester in County of Rhoad Island, Kings province and providence plantations . . . daughter **Elesabeth Cooper** now wife unto **James Cooper by trade a Cooper** now living in s'd town of **Rochester** . . . my right of title of — to my lands in **Potowamett** . . . belong unto mee . . . deed of saile bought of **John Gareard** now living uppon Prudence Island."

The deed of sale is also reported by J. O. Austin in **The Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island.** "John Gareard" is believed to have been a "John Gereardy" (see Austin's **GDRI**, pages 300-303).

Sp6. East Greenwich, **Land Evidence**, Book 1, Page 102A. February 21, 1696/7, the date on the document in which David Shippee identifies one of his daughters as "my loving daughter **Martha Matteson** . . . twelve acres more or less lying and being on the north side of the River runing through my farme and now live uppon in the Townshipp of Est greenwich . . . doe give unto my said loving daughter **Martha Matteson** one Branch of s'd River which Branch is **Colonel Nicholas Whittfords** parte of s'd River . . ."

Witnesses:
Joshua Davis
Nicholas Whittford
(his + mark)

David Shippee
(his — mark)

Sp7. East Greenwich, Land Evidence, Book 1, p. 105A.

On December 13, 1697, **David Shippee** made his mark in granting 60 acres of land "being twoe thirds of the ninty acre farme eight farm in the first Division" and Twp. of East Greenwich, RI Colony "in America" to "**my loving daughter Mary Ruthenberge** the **wife of John Ruthenberge.**" The witnesses were **George Vaughan** and **John Heath**.

Ident.: DAVID SHIPPEE (X.197.) had a dtr Mary Shippee who was the wife of John Ruthenberge (spelling of surname may not be correct). The George Vaughan named as witness is likely George Vaughn, of John and Gillian, b Oct. 20, 1650, **Newport** (RI) (East Greenwich, births, Book 1, page 3, for the births of George's children also). The "John Heath" named above may be the husband of Elizabeth Heath, wife of a John Heath; Elizabeth d ae. "84 y wanting 4 months, March 13, 1722" (East Greenwich, deaths, Book 2, page 5).

Sp8. East Greenwich, RI, **Land Evidence**, Book 1, p. 37B. The document is dated **December 18, 1697**, and is signed with the mark of **DAVID SHIPPEE** of East Greenwich. The quotation therein reads: ". . . that I s'd **David Shippee doe Beare unto my Loving Sonn Samuell Shippee** of the S'd **David Shippee** Being in perfect memory . . . ninty acre farme — the seventh farme in the first divission in the town shipp of est greenwich in said Collony . . ."
Witnesses: **Benjamin Greene** and **John Heath.**

Sp:

Ident.: SAMUEL SHIPPEE (ANC. IX.99.) was the **son** of **DAVID SHIPPEE (Anc. X.197.).** Additional note: It was **SAMUEL'S** dtr **SARAH SHIPPEE, VIII.50.**, who m **BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y, VIII.49., Be:FDD.**).

Sp9. East Greenwich, **Birth and Marriages**, Book 1, p. 23A.

The entry on the document reads: "**Samuel Shippee oldest sonn of Samuel Shippee and Anne his wife was borne — February the 28th in the yeare 1702 or 3**".

Ident.: The first-born son (and first-born child) of **SAMUEL SHIPPEE (Anc. IX.99.)** and **ANN(E) (Anc. IX.100.)** was **Samuel Shippee (Jr.)**. Why is the name of "Samuel Shippee," son of **SAMUEL** and **ANNE**, omitted from his father's **Will**?[1] In the Inventory for his mother "**ANNE SHIPPEY**," dated May 19, 1752 (E. G. **Probate Book** 2:28), the East Greenwich Town Council appointed her "Eldest son" named "Stephen" as whole and sole Administrator. Was the grandson of SAMUEL and ANN SHIPPEE who was named "Palmer Shippy" in his grandfather's **Will** the son of Samuel Shippee, Jr.? — **deceased** father of Palmer? Palmer's name is conspicuous in the published Shippee genealogies by absence of his identification and classification.

Sp10. According to notes taken in 1978 by a searcher from a genealogy of a "Straight Family," compiled by **Steere (?)** the following is given but must be checked with the original documents, if possible. Note: this may have been T. S. Lazell's compilation (?).

SAMUEL (2) SHIPPEE, b ----, d 1740 (**Will** written 7.15.1740, proved 9.27.1740, East Greenwich; m 12.20.1702, East Greenwich, ANN LEITHFIELD, b Dorchester, MA, 8.18.1678, dtr of Thomas and Mary (-----) (Long) (Leithfield); ANN d 1752, East Greenwich, intestate. Their CH (**not** in birth sequence):

(1) Samuel (3) Shippee, b 2.28.1702/3 East Greenwich, RI Colony.

(2) Margaret Shippee, b ca 1714 or 1716 (?), m ca 1732, John Tarbox (his second wife).

(3) SARAH SHIPPEE, b ca 1717, d ca 1760/61, of small pox; BENJAMIN BENTLEY, JR., b 1709[2]

(4) Thomas Shippee, b ----, d 1802 (**Will** written 8.11.1793, proved 3.6.1802), m 12.24.1732, East Greenwich, Hannah Matteson, his cousin.

(5) Deliverance Shippee, m 5.18.1740, m William Briggs.

(6) Mary Shippee, b ca 1715, m 7.5.1730, Richard Briggs, John's son.

[1]For persons named in the "**Will** and **Inventory**" for **SAMUEL SHIPPY**, *i.e.* **SAMUEL SHIPPEE (Anc. IX.99.)**, see **Be267**.

[2]Original source? See Be111. regarding Benjamin Bentley's birth on 7.5.1714, instead.

(7) Stephen Shippee, b ----, d 1790/1, **Will** written 6.8.1790, proved 1.9.1791, m 1.29.1735/6, East Greenwich, Mary Slocum.

(8) Elizabeth Shippee, b ----, single in 1740 when named in her father's **Will**.

(9) Ann Shippee, b ----, m ----, John Spink.

Sp11. (also Be268.) East Greenwich (RI), Probate Book 2, page 28; document dated May 30, 1752, regarding the administration of the estate of Anne (Leithfield or Litchfield) Shippey (Shippee) by her "Eldest Son" who actually was her second-born male-child.

> Whereas Anne Shippey of East Greenwich in the County of Kent and Colony of Rhodeisland ye widow Lately Deceased Intestate and whereas we of town Council of ye town afores'd; *viz*; William Spencer, Rufus Greene, Henry Tibbits, Thomas Nichols, John Fry, and Samuel Gould (the Present town Council) have Nominated Constituted and **Appointed Stephen Shippey of S'd East Greenwich ye Yeoman (and Eldest Son of the S'd Anne Shippey) whole and Sole Administrator** of all and Singular the Goods Chattles Rites and Credits that Did of Right belong to the S'd Anne Shippey at the time of her Death. . . — dated May 30, 1752.

The accompanying two-page inventory was dated May 19, 1752, and was recorded and compared with the original June 4, 1752.

Sp12. Arnold, J., **Vital Record of Rhode Island, 1636-1850**, Vol. 1, East Greenwich, pp. 64-5, 131, and 144-145.

Sp13. Arnold, J., *ibid.*, Vol. 2, Providence, pp. 169 and 244.

Sp14. Austin, J. O., **Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island**, pp 179-180, "Shippee." Children are named in hypothetical sequence.

Sp15. Information regarding this searcher's Ancestor ANN(E) LITCHFIELD, wife of Ancestor SAMUEL SHIPPEE and daughter of MARY (-----) and THOMAS LITCHFIELD, was sent to this searcher from Mrs. Henry R. (Blanche W. Fish) Albro, Jr., of Coventry, RI, on September 15, 1978.

(**A.**) Blanche wrote that the marriage of Ann "Le--hfeld" to Samuel Shippee on December 29th, 1702, is recorded in the East Greenwich "Land Evidence" Book 1, page 3A, and **not** in the "Birth and Marriages" Book as previously thought. The persons Ann "Le--hfeld" and parents Mary and Thomas are referred to in other sources by surnames spelled as "Leitchfield," "Leithfield," and "Litchfield," etc.

(**B.**) Regarding this same family, Blanche mentioned a "Straight Family Genealogy" containing references to Shippees, Litchfields, and Bentl(e)ys. The excellently prepared compilation regarding the Rhode Island Family includes information verifiable in RI and MA records regarding Ancestor SARAH (SHIPPEE) BENTL(E)Y, wife of Ancestor BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y, daughter of ANN(E) (LITCHFIELD) SHIPPEE and SAMUEL SHIPPEE, half-niece of Mary (Long) (Adams) Straight, and

granddaughter of MARY (-----) (Long) (LITCHFIELD) Hooper and THOMAS LITCHFIELD. The compilation is entitled "Henry Straight of Portsmouth, Rhode Island, 1652-1728, and Some of His Descendants." The work was originally compiled in 1945 by Theodore S. Lazell and now includes updating of descendants (in 1952) by Frank Harvey Straight and additions made by George Douglas Straight (in 1966, 1969, and 1973). Only 75 copies of this compilation exist.

(C) A searcher-friend of Blanche Albro in RI later located a copy, and Blanche informed this searcher that additions had been made by George D. Straight of Granada Hills, CA (91344; 17247 Simonds St.). On September 24, 1979, this searcher talked with George over the telephone (213-363-3326) and learned that the healthy 72-year-old is a descendant of Henry Straight (in his ninth generation) and that Henry's first wife's maiden name is unknown. Contrary to the Straight-family information reported in Austin's **The Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island**, Henry's second wife Mary Long had **no** children. George recommended that this searcher see the "Lazell ms" (updated) in the Los Angeles Central Library. See **Sp21.** for more details.

Sp16. Correspondence from Shippee descendant Herbert S. Whitman, Block Island, RI 02807, 9.11.1978.

Compiler-author Lenn Alan Bergsten, Topsfield, MA, in 1974 and in 1978, published two Shippee Family genealogies. In correspondence, he has mentioned the Hooper-Litchfield connection. He advised me to write to Shippee descendant Herbert S. Whitman, Block Island, RI, for his comments, since Whitman was in the process of preparing a family history.

H.S. Whitman, in his letter of September 11, 1978, wrote:

> The Shippee story starts with DAVID (1) SHIPPEE, the earliest known ancestor of that name in America, who is said to have come from Maidfields, England. He settled at East Greenwich, Rhode Island, where, on 15 August 1664, he married MARGARET, the daughter of THOMAS SCRANTON of Warwick, Rhode Island.
>
> DAVID SHIPPEE was a farmer, and land evidence records indicate that his holdings were extensive. He died in 1718, and there is no record of his wife's death.
>
> There were seven children of this marriage, the fourth being SAMUEL (2) SHIPPEE, who was born in 1671, and, like his father, was a farmer. On 29 December 1702, he married ANNE LITCHFIELD, about whose family nothing is known. ANNE'S mother's name was MARY, and after something happened to this MARY'S husband, she married a second time on 15 October 1690, one John Hooper.
>
> In 1696, MARY Hooper, now living at Dorchester, Massachusetts, got messed up with the law with a man named Nathaniel Wyat for selling 'Cyder, Rhum, or bothe and other strong

drink, without license.' Both were convicted and fined. MARY, apparently, paid up, but Wyat was ordered committed until he could, or would, pay his fine. I don't know what happened to him, and I am glad he's not our ancestor.

SAMUEL (2) SHIPPEE died in 1740, and his wife ANNE before 1782. They had nine children, the oldest of whom was another Samuel.

Samuel (3) Shippee was born 28 February 1702, probably at East Greenwich, and with him the mystery of **'Abraham'**[1] begins to get unscrambled. Lenn Bergsten's hypothesis follows:

> The relationship of the Shippee, Litchfield, and Hooper families, the commonalities of these families to both East Greenwich and Dorchester, and the striking coincidence of what is known of Samuel (3) and Abraham cause one to consider the probablility that they are one and the same person.

As a follow-up study of the foregoing, in addition to Lenn Alan Bergsten's compilations and that of Harry L. Quick on the Shippee Family, the reader is advised to explore **The Twenty-first Report, Dorchester Births, Marriages, and Deaths to the End of 1825**, Boston, and **The Middlesex County, MA, Probate Record Books.**

Comment: L. A. Bergsten wrote in his nine-page pamphlet entitled **Family Affiliation of Abraham Shippee** (1977) that he believes Samuel Shippee, son of SAMUEL and ANN, was the same person as Abraham Shippee, husband of Eleanor. Abraham Shippee's wife Eleanor of Stoughton, MA, was named as a widow in 1746 (quoting Bergsten's source: **Suffolk County, Mass., Deed Book** 72:175.) (see also Sp33.0.).

Apparently the eldest living-son, at the time of the writing of Father SAMUEL SHIPPEE'S **Will** on July 5, 1740 (Be267. and Sp18.), was **not** Samuel but Stephen as stated in the **Will**. Had Samuel, the first-born-son of SAMUEL and ANN, passed on before July 5, 1740?

No record of SAMUEL'S son Samuel's death date has ever been located (?). Neither "Samuel" nor "Abraham" nor any children of either are mentioned in SAMUEL'S **Will**. The only grandchild of SAMUEL named as grandson and heir in SAMUEL'S **Will** was a "Palmer Shippee" (Be267.). Who was Palmer's father?

More evidence is necessary to determine whether or not Samuel, the first-born son of SAMUEL and ANN (see Sp9.) had any children.

Sp17. Correspondence from Violet E. Kettelle, 1167 Middle Road, East Greenwich, RI 02818, dated 4.18.1979.

In her letter, she stated that DAVID (1) SHIPPEE was the first Shippee in East Greenwich but not in America. No supporting evidence was given for

[1] Bergsten, Lenn Alan, **Family Affiliation of Abraham Shippee** (booklet), 1978.

this statement. She wrote to this searcher after seeing the query regarding BENTL(E)Y-SHIPPEE-SCRANTON family-connections.

She commented on DAVID SHIPPEE of "Maidfeilds" as follows. In 1883, Benj. W. Smith, Esq. of Providence, RI, had in the **New England Historic Genealogical Register**, Vol, 37, p. 274, a list of marriages given in the first book of Warwick. He had read and copied them. He had "David Shippee of **Mansfield**." I've looked and looked at a xerox copy of that marriage record and think the middle "d" (?) in Maidfield (?) looks different from the other d's on the page. Can you make it appear to be Mansfield? Mansfield is in MA not too far over the RI line. . . There was also a Midfield in MA. . .

Quoting "the latest **Straight Genealogy**" (compiler?) in her letter, Violet E. Kettelle added the following Long-Leithfield information. MARY (-----) m **first** Joseph Long; their dtr Mary Long m **first** Peter Adams, whom she divorced, and m **secondly** Henry Straight (b 1652, d 1728). MARY'S dtr Mary d 1757, East Greenwich, RI; in her **Will**[1] she established these relationships (see Sp19.):

(1) "Sister Shippy, widow" — refers to half-sister ANN (LEITHFIELD) SHIPPEE, the dtr of their mother MARY, who m **secondly** THOMAS LEITHFIELD. ANN LEITHFIELD, **b August 18, 1678, Dorchester** (MA),[2] m SAMUEL (**2**) SHIPPEE, son of DAVID, in 1702. ANN and SAMUEL had nine CH named (not in order): Thomas, Margaret, SARAH, Ann, Deliverance, Mary, Stephen, Samuel, and Elizabeth.

(2) "Cousin Thomas Shippee" — refers to her nephew.

(3) "Cousin John Tarbox, executor" — refers to her niece Margaret (Shippee) Tarbox's husband.

(4) **"Cousin SARAH BENTLY"** — refers to her niece SARAH (SHIPPEE) BENTL(E)Y, wife of BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y, JR. of Exeter (called Jr. to distinguish him from his Uncle Benjamin).

(5) "Cousin Ann Spink" — refers to her niece Anne (Shippee) Spink, wife of John Spink.

(6) "Gr. son John Straight of Coventry" (RI) — grandson.[3]

(7) "Seven children of grandson John Straight" — her great-grandchildren.[4]

Violet added that Henry Straight, SAMUEL SHIPPEE, and John Tarbox lived near each other.

[1]The source of this documentary evidence was **not** reported. This searcher, at that time, had **not** seen a copy of the **Will**.

[2]Unacknowledged primary-source of documentary evidence for ANN LEITHFIELD (or LITCHFIELD), b Aug. 18, 1678, Dorchester. Both birth date and place were later verified.

[3]step-grandson

[4]step-great-grandchildren

Violet urged this searcher to write to Gladys Palmer, P.O. Box 142, Hope Valley, RI 02832, regarding the Exeter Town Council Records. She related that SARAH (SHIPPEE) BENTL(E)Y d of smallpox, 1760 or 1761, in the great epidemic.

Sp18. (also Be267.) East Greenwich, Probate Book 1, pages 249-253. **Will and Inventory** for **SAMUEL SHIPPY**, of East Greenwich in the County of Providence. See photo.

"Samuel Shippy" being very weak in body but of sound and disposing mind . . . named the following on July 5, 1740, in his **Will**:

my loving wife	Ann Shippy,
my son	Stephen Shippy,
my son	Thomas Shippy,
my two daughters	Elizabeth and Ann Shippy,
my grandson	Palmer Shippy (ten pounds to be paid by executor to 'my Son Thomas Shippy and by him'. . .),
my four daughters	Mary Briggs, Margret Tarbox, **Sarah Bentley**, and Deleverance Briggs.

Named in SAMUEL SHIPPY'S **Inventory**, particularly was:

Thomas Shippy, "Second Son of the Said Samuel Shippy."

The **Will** was approved before the Town Council of East Greenwich on September 27, 1740. The Inventory of the Goods, etc., of SAMUEL SHIPPY "Late of East Greenwich in the County of Providence," was dated August 22, 1740.

Ident. and Class.: "Sarah Bentley" (above) is unmistakably SARAH SHIPPEE (or SHIPPY) (**Anc. VIII.50.**), wife of BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y (**Anc. VIII.49., Be:FDD.**). A birth record provides corroborating evidence for "SARAH BENTLEY" in 1740, wife of BENJAMIN and the mother of Caleb. Caleb was b August 25, 1739, Exeter (RI) (Exeter, Births Book 1:201) (Be21.B., Be32.H.). SARAH'S parents were SAMUEL SHIPPEE ("SHIPPY") (**Anc. IX.99.**) and ANN (**Anc. IX.100.**). "BENJAMIN BENTLY, JUN. of Exeter, and SARAH BENTLY" were named as man and wife in an Old Deed Book, Exeter (**Be266.**, Sp20.), dated 1754 and 1755.

Sp19. Last Will and Testament of Mary Straight, widow; East Greenwich Probate Book 2, pp 126-7; East Greenwich, RI. A photocopy of this document was received by this searcher from newly appointed town-historian (honorary) "cousin" Blanche W. (Fish) Albro (**Sp:ADCE??????.**) of Coventry, RI. Her letter was dated 7.25.1979. Compare the following data gleaned from the original document (see photo) and compare with the data as reported in **Sp17.C.**

Greenwich widow Deceased.

Therefore Know All men by these Presents That we the Town Council of East Greenwich, aforesaid; viz: William Spencer Joshua Coggeshall Daniel Howland James Wightman Abiel Hall and Jonathan Weaver; Do Give unto the Said Executor; full Power and Authority to Take in to his Care and Custody all the Movable Estate that Did of Right Belong to his Said Testator at the Time of her Death; And faithfully to Administer on Said Estate According to Law And the true Intent and Meaning of the Last Will and Testament of the aforesaid Testator; And Lastly we Do order the Clerke of this Council to Seal these Presents with the office Seal of Said Council; And Sign the Same Sealed with Said Seal; and Signed this Eighteenth Day of August; and in the Thirty first year of his Majesties Reign Reign George the Second King of Great Britain; and So forth Anno Domini 1757

Recorded and Compared with the Original August: 18th 1757
By Giles Pierce Counsel Clk

Giles Pierce Counsel Clk

In the Name of God Amen the fifteenth Day of September in the year of our Lord God One Thousand Seven Hundred & fifty I Mary Straight of East Greenwich in the County of Providence in the Colony of Rhode Island &c widow Being weak of Body by Reason of Age; but of Perfect mind and Memory Thanks begiven unto God; Therefore Caling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and Knowing that is appointed for all men once to Die have made this is my Last Will and Testament that to Say Principally and first of all I Recommend my Sole unto the hands of God that Gave it; And my Body I Recommend to the Earth to be Buried in a Cristian like and Decent Manner at the Discretion my Executor here after Named Nothing Doubting but I Shall Receive the same a Gain at Resurrection at the Last Day And as for the Earthly Estate where with it Pleased God to Bless me with with in this Life I give Demise and Dispose of the Same in the following Manner and form

First I Will That my Debts that I in Right or Conscience owe any Person or Persons; with my funeral Charges be paid and Discharged in Convenient time after my Decease

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my beloved Grandson John Straight Now Residing in Coventry my feather Bead and Coverlead and Bolster and pillar and Bruistead; and one pater platter Marked H S and one pair of Longes to him my Said Grandson John Straight his Heirs and assigns forever

Likewise I Give and Bequeath unto my aforesaid grandson John Straight my Iron Kittle to him his Heirs and assigns forever

The **Will** of Mary (Long) (Adams) Straight; East Greenwich, RI, Probate Book 2, Page 126 (Sp19).

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Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Cozen Thomas Shippey my Iron Pot to him his Heirs and Assigns forever
Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Cozen Sarah Brit, my two Quart Puter Bayson, to her her Heirs and Assigns forever
Item I Give and and Bequeath to my Cozen Anne Spink my Pint puter Bayson to her her and Assigns forever
Item I Give and Bequeath to my Sister Shippey widow my Cloaths Box to her her Heirs and Assigns forever
Item my Will is that my Loving Cozen John Tarbox Sell my Cow after my Decease and pay to my Grand Son John Straights Seven Children ten Shillings apeace (vizt): To Thomas to Shuba to William to Hannah to Henry to John and Job to Each ten Shillings as aforesaid And the Rest to Defray my funeral, with all the Rest and Residue of my Estate I Give and Bequeath unto aforesaid Cozen John Tarbox whome I make and Appoint Sole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament; Utterly Revoking all other and former Wills and Bequests whatsoever Ratifying and Confirming ye no Other bu my Last Will and Testament; In Witness where of I have here unto S. my Hand Seal ye Day and year above written

Signed Sealed Published pronounced and Declaired In the Presence of us

Theophilus Ellys
Abigal her mark Remington
W Remington

Mary her mark Straight (seal)

July ye 30th 1757
Personally Appeared befor the Town Council of East Greenwich in the County of Kent &c the Witness to the within written Will (to wit) Theophilus Ellys and William Remington And upon their Solemn Engagements Did Severally Declair that they Saw the within Testator, that is to Say Mary Straigh Sign Seal, and heard her Publish Pronounce and Declair the within, to be her Last Will and Testament; and that they Signed as Witnesses to the Same In her Presence And that Abigal Remington also Signed as a Witness to the Same at the Same time, And that She was then of a sound Disposing mind and Memory, for which Reason this within written Will is proved and approved of

(by order of Council) ℘ Giles Pierce Coun Clk

Recorded and Compared with the Original August ye 19th 1757
by Giles Pierce Coun Clk

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Mary Straight's **Last Will and Testament** was written on Sept. 15, 1750, "proved and approved" on July 30, 1757, and "Recorded and Compaired with the Original August ye 19th 1757" in the County of Providence in the Colony of Rhode Island.

Identification: The Last Will and Testament was that of **Mary Straight, widow, of East Greenwich** (RI), identified by other knowledgeable searchers as widow Mrs. Henry (**Mary Long** Adams) Straight, the assumed-to-be dtr of Mrs. Mary (unk. maiden surname) (Long) (Litchfield) Hooper of Dorchester (MA). The person named in the will as Mary Straight's "**Sister Shippey widow**" is believed to have been Mary Straight's half-sister Mrs. Samuel Shippee, **nee** Ann(e) Litchfield. The mother of half-sisters Mary and Anne is believed to have been Mrs. Thomas Litchfield of Dorchester (MA). Mary Straight's "Cozen Sarah Bently" is believed to have been Mrs. Benjamin (Sarah Shippee) Bentley, her half-sister's dtr. Unnamed is Mary Straight's step-son, father of her step-grandson John Straight.

The names of Mary Straight's step-grandson John Straight's seven CH were:

(1) Thomas Straight,
(2) Phebe Straight,
(3) William Straight,
(4) Hannah Straight,
(5) Henry Straight,
(6) John Straight, and
(7) Joh: (?) Straight.

Mary's "Loving Cozen John Tarbox" is apparently the husband of her half-sister Anne's dtr Margaret (Shippee) Tarbox. Mary's other "cozens" ("cousins") so-named in her **Will** are identified as (1) Thomas Shippee, (2) SARAH (SHIPPEE) BENTLEY, and (3) Anne (Shippee) Spink.

NOTE: SAMUEL and ANNE (LITCHFIELD) SHIPPEE'S CH, named in SAMUEL'S **Will** (Be267., Sp18., and photo) were (1) Thomas Shippy, (2) SARAH BENTLEY, (3) Ann Shippy, (4) Margret Tarbox, **et al.**

The following is a **verbatim** copy of Mary Straight's **Last Will and Testament** (Sp19.) (also see photo).

> In the Name of God, Amen, the fifteenth Day of September in the year of our Lord God, One Thousand Seven Hundred & fifty I Mary Straight of East Greenwich in the County of Providence in the Colony of Rhode Island etc widow Being weak of Body by Reason of age, but of Perfect mind and Memory Thanks be given unto God; Therefore Caling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and Knowing that is Appointed for all men once to Die, have made this my Last Will and Testament that to Say Principally and first of all, I Recommend my Sole into the hands of God that Gave it; And my Body I recommed (?) to the Earth to be Buried in a Cristian like and Decent Manner at the Discression my Executor here after Named Nothing

Doubting but I Shall Receive the Same a Gain; at Resurrection at the Last Day And as for the Earthly Estate where with it Pleased God to Bless me with in this Life I Give Demise and Dispose of the Same in the following Manner and form

First I Will That my Debts that I in right or Consience owed any Person or Persons; with my funeral Charges be paid and Discharged inConvenient time after my Decease

Item, I Give and Bequeath unto **my beloved Grandson John Straight** now Residing in Coventry my feather Bead and Coverlead and Bolster and pillor and Beadstead; and one puter platter Marked **H S** and one pair of tonges to him my said **Grandson John Straight** his Heirs and Assigns forever

Likewise I Give and Bequeath unto my aforesaid **Grandson John Straight** my Iron Kittle to him his Heirs and Assigns forever.

Item, I Give and Bequeath unto **my Cozen Thomas Shippey** my Iron Pot to him his Heirs and Assigns forever.

Item, I Give and Bequeath unto **my Cozen Sarah Bently** my two quart Puter Bayson, to her her Heirs and Assigns forever.

Item, I Give and (**sic**) Bequeath to **my Cozen Anne Spink** my three Pint puter Bayson, to her, her; and Assigns forever.

Item, I Give and Bequeath to **my Sister Shippey widow** my Cloaths Box to her; her Heirs and Assigns forever.

Item, my Will is that **my Loving Cozen John Tarbox** Sell my Cow after my Deceas and pay to **my Grand Son John Straights** Seven Children, Ten Shillings apeace (vizt) To: **Thomas** to **Phebe** to **William** To **Hannah**, to **Henry** to **John**, and **Joh:** to Each ten Shillings as aforesaid. And the Rest to Do pay my funeral; with; all the rest and residue of my Estate I Give and bequeath unto: aforesaid **Cuzen John Tarbox** whome I make and appoint hole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament; Utterly Revoking all other and former Wills and Bequests whatsoever Ratifying and confirming & no other be my Last Will and Testament, In, Witness whereof I have hereunto Se. . . my Hand Seal of Day and year above writen

Signed Sealed Published pronounced
and Declaired In the Presence of us

Mary her M mark Straight (seal)

Theophilus Ellys
Abigal (her Q mark) Remington
W. Remington

Recorded and Compaired
with the Original
August ye 19th 1757
By Giles Peirce Counl Clk

July ye 30th 1757
Personally appeared before the Town Council of East Greenwich in the County of Kent etc the witnesses to the within writen will / to wit / **Theophilus Ellys** and **William Remington**; And upon their Solomn Engagements Did Severally

Be:

Declair that they Saw the Within Testator; that is to say; **Mary Straight** Sign, Seal; and heard her Publish Pronounce and Declair the within; to be her Last Will and Testament; and that they Signed as Witnesses to the Same In her Presence; And that **Abigal Remington** also Signed as a Witness to the Same at the Same Time; And that She was then of a sound Disposing mind and Memory; for which Reason this within written Will is proved and approved.

of (by order of Council)
Giles Peirce Counl Clk

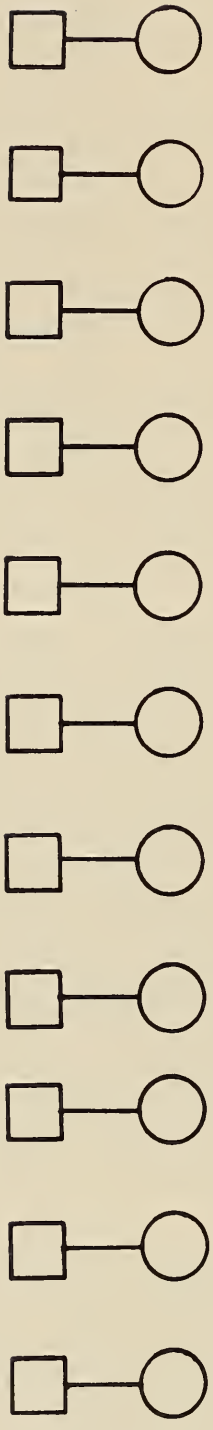
Sp20. (also **Be266.**) Exeter, RI, OD Book 6, pages 319 and 320. Exeter town records were located (1979) in the Exeter Town Hall, Route 102, RFD, West Greenwich, RI 02816.

The old deed is dated September 2, 1754, "in the Twenty eighth Year of his majestyes Reign Gorge the Second King Brittan" and contains the names of "**Benjamin Bently, Jun., of Exeter**" and "**Sarah Bently wife of the Said Benjamin Bently.**" Other persons named are recipient "**Richard Waneman,**" a "Labourer" of East Greenwich; the Town Clerk "Benoni Hall;" a witness "John Langford;" and others living on adjacent property, namely "Benjamin Wilecox" on the east and "Anthony Eldred" on the north side — the lot of two and one-half acres in Exeter bounded on the south and west by a highway. The Bentl(e)ys' "act and Deed" was recorded on January 14, 1755, by the Exeter Town Clerk B. Hall, in the "County of Kings County In the Colony of Rhodeisland and Providence Plantations in Newjngland."

Ident.: BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y ("Junior") (**Be:FDD.**) (**anc. VIII.49.**) and his wife SARAH (SHIPPEE) BENTL(E)Y (**Sp:ADh.**) (**anc. VIII.50.**); "Richard Waneman," likely the same "Richard Wainman" — husband of Avis and father of three children born in Exeter, the second on **Jan. 9, 1755** (Exeter, Births Book 1:226).

Sp21. Lazell, Theodore S., "Henry Straight of Portsmouth, Rhode Island, 1652-1728, and Some of His Descendants," 1945; additions in 1952 by Frank Harvey Straight; additions in 1966, 1969, 1973, by George Douglas Straight of 17247 Simonds St., Granada Hills, CA 91344. A copy of this work, one of 75 in all, is in the Genealogical Section of the Los Angeles Central Library. Other copies may be located in East Greenwich, RI, and in the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library, 101 Newbury St., Boston, MA.

This amazed searcher noticed that the "compiler" had noted on page 16 that his grandfather was Thomas Strait Bennett, son of Ephraim Bennett and Hannah Bentley, daughter of Greene M. Bentley, son of William



To form a genealogical chain, each link must be supported by the documentary evidence for the parents and the offspring.

Bentley, son of **WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y** (Bentley-family progenitor), thus revealing Lazell as a distant "Bentley"-cousin (Be:FBLbB??.). Greene Bentley's wife was Dinah Straight, daughter of Thomas Straight, son of Henry Straight, son of Henry Straight (Straight-family progenitor).

Theodore S. Lazell of Philadelphia, PA, compiled the original 380 pages in manuscript form and presented the work to the New England Historic Genealogical Society on December 14, 1945. Some items of the excerpted material from pages 5, 6, and 7 follow.

Mr. Francis Richmond Sears, L.L.D., of Swansea, MA, Feb. 7, 1963, is also quoted as a source of information regarding Henry Straight of Portsmouth, RI.

> Henry Straight's . . . second marriage to Mary Long Adams took place very soon after March 5, 1684/5 on which date Mary Leichfield petitioned Gov. Bradstreet of Mass. Bay Colony for a divorce for her daughter Mary. She was, thus, **not** the mother of his two sons Henry and John, the dates of whose marriages show they were both born before Mary received her dower from Peter Adams (Henry, Jr. m 13 Feb. 1696/7 and John m. 30 May 1705).[1]
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> The fact that Henry Straight and Mary (Long) Adams could not marry until after March 5, 1684/5, clearly shows that she was not the mother of his two sons Henry and John, the dates of whose marriages show they were both born before Mary secured her divorce from Peter Adams. A brief study of the Long family of Dorchester may be of interest at this point.
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> Joseph Long, son of Joseph and Mary (Lane) Long, was Married unto **Mary** by the Honorable Governor, 12.3.61 (Feb. 3, 1661/2), according to Dorchester records. Her maiden family-name has not been learned. He died in Dorchester Aug. 26, 1676, and on Dec. 4, following, the Town granted one-quarter acre to the **widow Mary Long**. About 1677, she married for her second **husband Thomas Litchfield**, by whom she had a **daughter Ann** born in Dorchester, Aug. 18, 1678. A few years thereafter she departed on a voyage to England, was taken captive by Algerian pirates and held for ransom. Meanwhile, **Thomas Litchfield** tried to sell her Dorchester land, but the Selectmen refused their permission. She secured a divorce from Litchfield after her return and married in Boston, Jan. 27, 1690, by 'Mr. Emblim, Baptist Minister,' **John Hooper**. As **'Mary Litchfield, alias Hooper of Dorchester,'** she was indicted for selling 'cyder and Rhum,' without a license, and fined eighteen pence.
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> Her daughter **Ann Litchfield**, half-sister of Mary (Long) (Adams) Straight, married at East Greenwich, R.I., Dec. 29, 1702, **Samuel Shippee**, and had nine children, according to Austin's **Gen. Dict. of**

[1]Also refer to Austin's **Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island**, "Straight" family, for the date of birth of one of the sons (Sp23.).

R.I., p. 178. This marriage explains the relationships given in the will of the widow Mary Straight dated Sept. 15, 1750, as shown below.

Oct. 21, 1693, Henry Straight of East Greenwich, R.I., wheelwright and Mary his wife, and **Mary Long, alias Mary Litchfield, alias Mary Hooper**, mother of said Mary, for L12, sold to Mr. John Danforth, clerk, three acres of pasture in Dorchester, formerly Joseph Long's lot.

Source for the foregoing was given as **Suffolk Deeds**, 16-253.

Nov. 26, 1697, 'Whereas Henry Straight Senior and Mary his wife were brought before me by vertue of a warrant to answer the complaint of William Wever concerning some slanderous words supposed to be given forth by said Mary Straight against the wife of said William Wever, we having heard what evidences as appeared see cause to give liberty to both plaintiff and defendant to withdraw themselves and try if they could agree, which they did and immediately returned and said they were agreed and the action fell with our consent.' John Heath, Conservator; Thomas Fry, Justice.

Source for foregoing was given as **East Greenwich Land Evidences**, 1-8.

June 9, 1703, Henry Straight of East Greenwich, R.I., wheelwright, and Mary his wife, daughter of **Mary Long**, formerly a widow but since called **Mary Litchfield** and lastly **Mary Hooper**, lately deceased, for L31 sold to Ephraim Howard of Dorchester, one-quarter of an acre in Dorchester granted her by the Town on 4 (day), 10 mo.), 1676, consent to this sale having been obtained from the Selectmen of Dorchester.

Source given for foregoing was **Suffolk Deeds**, 21-272.

July 30, 1703, **Samuel Shippey** of East Greenwich, R.I., and **Anne** his wife, for L9-18-6, release to our brother Henry Straight and Mary his wife our interest in house and land in Dorchester, formerly of **our mother Mary Hooper**.

Source given for foregoing was **Suffolk Deeds**, 21-373.

June 19, 1704, Henry Straight was chosen one of the Town Council, 'in roome of George Vaughan lately deceased.'

July 22, 1704, Henry Straight refused to serve on the Town Council.

Source for foregoing given as **East Greenwich Town Council records**, 1681-1752, pp 75-6.

March 16, 1705/6, Henry Straight, Sr., chosen Grand Juryman.

Source for foregoing was given as *Ibid.*, p. 81.

. . . Oct. 22, 1718, he deeded to his son Henry Straight of East Greenwich, blacksmith, one-half of my lands in said Town, his wife Mary releasing her dower rights.

Source given was **East Greenwich Land Evidences**, 3-68.

Apl. 30, 1726, he deeded to his son John "the east half of my homestead farm, where I now dwell," the whole being 163-3/4 acres.

Source was given as *Ibid.*, 4-203.

Henry Straight, Sr., died at East Greenwich June 4, 1728. His will, dated May 15, 1728, was proved June 29, 1728. Therein, he named his **wife Mary** and **sons Henry and John.**

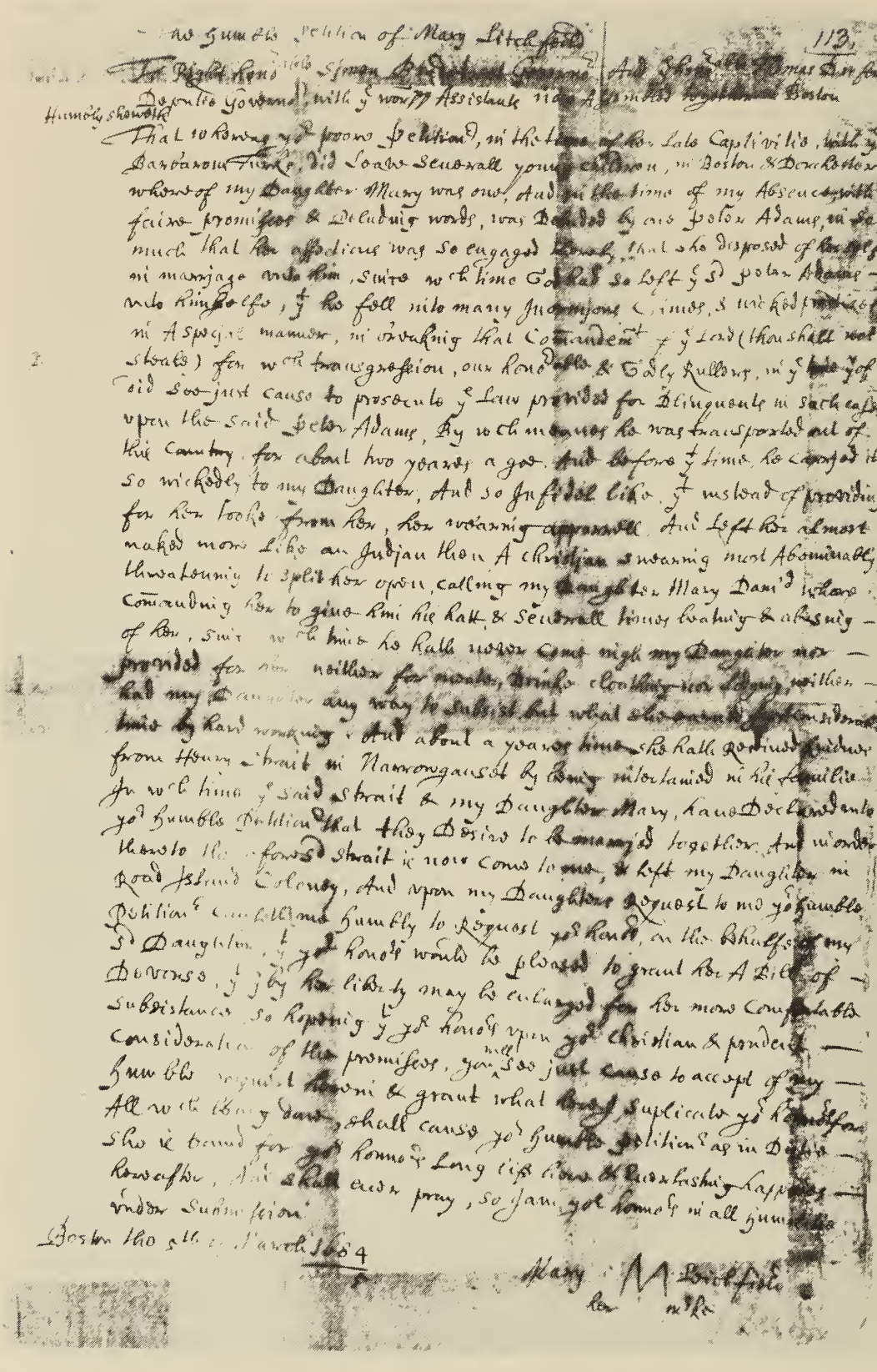
His second wife and widow, Mary, survived him many years, and died in East Greenwich in 1757. As her birth record in Dorchester shows she was born June 9, 1665, she was ninety-two years of age. Her will, dated Sept. 15, 1750, was proved July 30, 1757. She made her cousin **John Tarbox** executor, and named her **sister Shippee**, and cousins **Thomas Shippee, Sarah Bentley** and **Anne Spink**, with a small bequest to her grandson **John Straight**, residing in Coventry, and his seven children **Thomas, Phebe, William, Hannah, Henry, John and Job**.

Source for the foregoing was given as **East Greenwich Probate records**, vol. 2, p. 126.

Sp22. The following petition was made by MARY (-----), Anc. X.200., wife of THOMAS LI(T)CHFIELD, Anc. X.199., and maternal grandmother of SARAH SHIPPEE, wife of BENJAMIN BENTL(E)Y. The original record of MARY'S Petition for Her Daughter Mary's Divorce is designated as **Domestic Relations**, Volume 9, page 113, located in the Archives Division, The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, State House, Boston, MA 02133.

The Humble Petition of Mary Litchfeild To Right Honorable Simon Bradstreet Governor, And ye honorable Thomas Danforth Deputie Governor, with ye worpp Assistants now Assembled in Boston Humbly showeth

That Whereas yor poore petitionr, in the time of her late Captivitie, with ye Barbarous Turks, did Leave severall young children, in Boston & Dorchester whereof my Daughter Mary was one, and in the time of my Absence, with faire promises & Deluding words, was Deluded by one Peter Adams, in somuch that her affections was so engaged thereby that she disposed of herselfe in marriage unto him, since wch time God had so left ye sd Peter Adams unto himselfe, yt he fell into many Inormious Crimes & wicked practises in a special manner, in breaking that Comandemt of ye Lord (thou shalt not steale) for wch transgression, our honorable & Godly Rullers, in ye time yrof, did see just cause to prosecute ye Law provided for Delinquents in such cases upon the said Peter Adams, By wch meanes he was transported out of this country for about two yeares a goe. And before yt time, he carrjed it so wickedly to my Daughter, and so Infidel like, yt instead of providing for her, tooke from her, her wearing apparrell, And Left her almost naked, mor Like an Injan than A Christian, swearing most Abominably, threatening to split her open, calling my Daughter Mary Damd whore comanding her to give him



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his hatt & severall times beating & abusing of her, since wch time he hath never come nigh my daughter nor provided for her, neither for meate, Drinke, cloathing nor Lodging, neither had my Daughter any way to subsist but what she earned for a considerable time by hard working. And about a yeares time she hath Received kindness from Henry Strait in Narrowganset by being intertained in his familie, In wch time ye said Strait & my Daughter Mary, have Declared unto yor humble Petitionr that they Desire to be married together, And in order thereto the aforesd Strait is now come to me, and left my Daughter in Road Island Coloney, and upon my Daughters Request to me, yor humble Petitionr, causeth me humbly to Request yor honors, on the behalfe of my sd Daughter, yt yor honors would be pleased to grant her A Bill of Devorse, yt yrby her liberty may be enlarged for her more Comfortable subsistance, so hopeing yt yor honors upon yor Christian & prudent consideration of the premises, you will see just cause to accept of my humble request herein & grant here I Suplicate yor honors for. All wch being done shall cause yor humble petitionr as in Dutie she is bound for yor honnors Long life here & everlasting happines hereafter, And shall ever pray, so I am yor honnors in all humilitie under submission.

Boston the 5th of March 1684/5 **Mary her M mark Leichfield**

Sp23. Austin, John Osborne, **The Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island** (originally pub. Albany, NY, 1887), Baltimore: Genealogical Pub. Co., Inc., 1978. "Straight," page 193.

Henry Straight, b 1652, d June 4, 1728, m Mary Long, b ----, d 1757, dtr of Joseph and Mary (-----) Long. Their res: Portsmouth, RI, and East Greenwich, RI, successively. On December 24, 1667, Henry was apprenticed to Gershom Wodell of Portsmouth, for six years . . . Nov. 10, 1679, East Greenwich, petition re: Henry Brightman . . . On November 26, 1697, Henry and his wife Mary were complained of by William Weaver, for slanderous words from said Mary against the wife of Weaver . . . Will, written May 15, 1728, proved June 29, 1728, in which Henry names wife Mary as executrix, sons Henry and John . . . Widow Mary (Long) Straight's Will, written Sept. 15, 1750, proved July 30, 1757; named are "cousin John Tarbox," executor; "grandson John Straight," Coventry; "Cousin Thomas Shippey;" "cousin Sarah Bentley;" "cousin Anne Spink;" "sister Shippey;" "grandson John Straight's seven children: Thomas, Phebe, William, Hannah, Henry, John and Job."

Austin incorrectly claimed that Henry and Mary (Long) Straight, rather than Henry's earlier wife, had two sons: (1) Henry Straight, a blacksmith, b East Greenwich, RI, d 1732, m 2.13.1697, Hannah (-----); they had 13 CH.

(2) John Straight, b March 1, 1678, East Greenwich, RI, d 1759; m **first** May 30, 1705, Rose (-----) Smith, Daniel's widow; and m **secondly** Elizabeth

(-----), d after 1757. John and his first wife had 9 CH; John and his second wife had no CH.

Ident. and Class.: "cousin Sarah Bentley" was SARAH (SHIPPEE) BENTLEY, **Anc. VIII.50.**; "sister Shippey" was ANN (LITCHFIELD) SHIPPEE, **Anc. IX.100.**; and Joseph Long's wife MARY (-----), **Anc. X.200.**, unknown maiden surname.

Sp24. Savage, James, **A Genealogical Dictionary of the First Settlers of New England, Showing Three Generations of Those Who Came Before May, 1692, on the Basis of Farmer's Register** (orig. pub. in Boston, 1860-1862), Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1977, Vol. 3, page 108.

> **Long**, Joseph, Dorchester 1660, s. of Mary, the w. of Joseph Farnsworth, by her former h. for wh. in F.'s will, as also for his br. Thomas, good provis. was made. **By w. Mary, whose surname is not kn. m. 3 Feb. 1662, he had Mary, and d. 26 Aug. 1676. His wid. m. Thomas Litchfield, from wh. she was divorc. and d. a. 1703. The d. Mary, on the same authority, I learn, had m. Henry Straight of Greenwich, R. I.**

Ident. and Anc. Class.: THOMAS LITCHFIELD, **Anc. X.199.**, and MARY (-----), **Anc. X.200.**

Sp25. *Ibid.*, Savage, Vol. 2. p. 143.

> **Farnsworth**, Joseph, Dorchester, freem. 14 Mar. 1639, by w. Eliz. had Mary, b. 30 Mar. 1637; Hannah, 14 Dec. 1638; Rebecca 2 Jan. 1640; and Ruth, 3 June 1642; beside Joseph, Samuel, and perhaps others, by sec. w. wid. Mary Long; was selectman 1647, and d. 12 Jan. 1660. In his will of 2 Jan. preced. **Geneal. Reg.** IX. 140, provis. is made for his w. Mary and her two ch. by former h. Joseph, and Thomas Long, for his d. Eliz. w. of John Mansfield, d. Esther, d. Mary, w. of Abraham Ripley, gr. ch. Joseph, s. of Simon Peck, by Hannah, d. of testat. dec. his eldest s. Joseph, s. Samuel, and d. Rebecca. **Joseph**, Dorchester, perhaps eldest s. of the preced. b. in Eng. freem. 1649.

Sp26. *Ibid.*, Savage, Vol. 2, p. 460.

"**Hooper**, John, Marblehead, m. 27 Jan. 1691, Mary Litchfield, at Boston."

Ident. and Anc. Class.: MARY (-----) LONG LITCHFIELD HOOPER, **Anc. X.200.** and third (known) husband John Hooper.

Sp27. Austin, J. O., **One Hundred and Sixty Allied Families**, (orig. pub. Salem, MA, 1893) Baltimore: Genealogical Pub. Co., Inc. (reprinted) 1977, pp. 125-6.

Interesting to note, that **at about the time** Ancestor MARY (-----) LONG LITCHFIELD (**Anc. X.200.**) was taken captive by pirates on a trip to England, having left "several children in Dorchester and Boston" and a husband behind, another American colonist named William Harris was also taken captive. Why was MARY going to England? For whatever leads

Austin's account provides, excerpts are given here. Note also the involvement of Harris with "claims to the Narragansett country," 1679.

William Harris, b. 1610, d. 1681 . . .

1630, 12, 1. He came in ship **Lyon** from Bristol, England, to Boston, in company with his brother Thomas, and Roger Williams.

1636. Providence. He was one of the six persons who arrived as first settlers here before July of this year, having spent the preceding winter at Seekonk.

1638, 10, 8. He was one of the twelve persons to whom Roger Williams deeded land that he had bought of Canonicus and Miantonomi.

1639. He was one of the twelve original members of First Baptist Church.

. . . 1679, 7, 1. Taxed 15s. 7½d. He went this year to England for the third time.

1679, 12, 25. He again set sail for England to support the cause of Pawtuxet proprietors; and embarked at Boston on the ship **Unity**, Captain Condy. He was appointed by Connecticut as their agent to support their claims to the Narragansett country, as against Rhode Island.

1680, 1, 6. A verdict in favor of himself and partners against the Town of Providence, by a special court of Commissioners, is alluded to by Governor Cranston in a letter to King Charles II, at this date. The Governor presents "our proceedings in these affairs, which we would have sent in the ship that William Harris went lately to England in; but William Harris was so secret and private in his voyage that he never came to us to know what we had done by way of return to your Majesty, neither did he let us know of his going." The question of jurisdiction and title to Pawtuxet lands was not finally settled till many years after his death.

1680, 1, 24. The vessel in which he had embarked was taken by an Algerine corsair, and he was sold in Barbary, and after more than a year's slavery was ransomed at a high figure, of which sum the colony of Connecticut paid L289, 9s. 7d. He travelled through Spain and France and, finally, arrived in London in 1680, where he died three days afterward at the house of his friend John Stokes. **He wrote several letters while in captivity.**[1] (One to his wife was dated at Algiers, 1680, Apr. 6.) (dates? 1680/81?).

Sp28. Massachusetts State Archives, State House, Boston, **Domestic Relations**, document in Volume 112, page 312.

It being credibly and certainly made known unto us that severall of our Christian Neighbours and Friends, dwellers in Boston,

[1]According to the **Encyclopaedia Britannica**, regarding the "Barbary pirates," "During the 17th century the Algerian and Tunisian corsairs joined forces and in the first half of the century more than 20,000 captives were said to be imprisoned in Algiers alone. The rich were allowed to redeem themselves, but the poor were condemned to slavery. Their masters would **not** in many cases allow them to secure freedom by professing Islam."

Charlestown, Malden, Roxbury, Branbery . . . are fallen into the hands of their Enemies and taken into Turkeish slavery; whose cry's are . . . . unto their Christian friends for help and succour in their lamentable and miserable condition, their Relations being unable to a pay a Ransome for them: Wherefore wee thought good to recommend their case to all charitable and well-disposed Christians praying that the Lord would . . . up in your bowells of compassion to contribute to their succour and redemption from so cruell bondage, which wee question not but will be a Service acceptable to God, and what you shall deale out in such a way will bee fully recompensed to you again.

Boston, 5 April 1680.

Sp29. *Ibid.*, Vol. 61:210, 211.

In her petition dated **May 24, 1680**, to the General Court, Mrs. Martha Dadey requested help in liberating her son who was held in captivity by the Turks for the preceding eighteen months. The answer of the committee was that the Court could not order people to give money to redeem those in captivity who went out upon their own private concerns without particular employ for the republique, but that the Court could ask for private charity (as contributors shall see meet). The order of the Deputies approved the answer of the committee to the petition of Martha Dady (Dadey) on **May 29, 1680**.

Sp30. The LITCHFIELDS in 1685.

Ref: "Original Documents, 1677-1764," commemorated by W. J. Potts of Camden, NJ, the original (having been) "in possession of Mr. H. Grew of 'Woodlands,' near Boston;" **The New England Historic and Genealogical Register**, NEHG Society, Boston 1892, vol. 46, p. 172. The ref is located the NEHGS Library, 101 Newbury St., Boston, MA.

Verbatim:

I Pilgrim Simkins Testifie that I Quartered in Thomas Leitchfeild's House and I asked him the reason why he did not go home to his wife seeing that she is redeemed out of Captivity and is now at Boston he said also that he would come to roxbury and Devorce himselfe from his former wife Mary Leitchfeild and Live with his Last wife he also owned that he had a Child by her.

Sworne in Bostone June 6th 1685
before John Joyliffe Commiss'r

Identification and Classification:

THOMAS LI(T)CHFIELD ("LEITCHFEILD") (Anc. X.199.) and MARY (-----) LI(T)CHFIELD ("LEITCHFEILD") (Anc. X.200) are identified by Pilgrim Simkins, Boston, June 6, 1685. Also mentioned is a child (unnamed) believed to have been their daughter ANN LI(T)CHFIELD (Anc. IX.100.). ANN LI(T)CHFIELD and SAMUEL SHIPPEE (Anc. IX.99., Sp:AD.) were the parents of SARAH SHIPPEE (Anc. VIII.50., Sp:ADh.), as proven by other documents.

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It being credibly and certainly made known unto us that
severall of our Christian Neighbours and Freinds, dwellers
in Boston, Charlestown, Malden, Roxbury, Brantery &c.
are fall'n into the hands of their Enemies and taken
into Turkeish slavery, whose cry's are loud unto their
Christian Freinds for help and succour in their lamenta-
ble and miserable condition, their Relations being unable
to a pay a Ransome for them: Wherefore wee thought
good to recomend their case to all charitable and well-
disposed Christians, praying that the Lord would stir
up in you bowells of compassion to contribute to their
succour and redemption from so cruell bondages
which wee question not but wilbee a service accep-
table to God, and what you shall deale out in such
a way wilbee fully recompensed to yo^us again.

Bo. Jan. 3. April
1680 @

Sp31. Three-page Document in **Domestic Relations**, Vol. 36:36-38; Massachusetts State Archives, State House, Boston.

The home of Goodwife (widow) MARY LIECHFIELD (LITCHFIELD) is mentioned in examination of Robert Lawrence, regarding the murder of Robert Fowler; mentioned in deposition of Hannah Fowler; **deposition of Monday, April 21, 1690.** Location of Mary's home is **not** mentioned.

Page 36: Boston: 21st: April 1690

Robert Lawrence Examined saith that he came over into this Country with Governor Andros upwards of three yeares since, is by profession a Sawyer, was lately imployed by Wm Perkins Shipwright within ye bounds of Dorchester to saw planke for him, came to Boston about three weeks since, about a fortnight since Entred himselfe on board the man of war Ship Cap'ne Cyprians Southrck Comand'r. Robert Fowler of Boston was then belonging to said Ship, and this Examinant and said Fowler Entred into consortship, had a Chest in comon between, there was never any difference or falling out betwixt them. Saith he hath not seen the said Robert Fowler since **Wensday night** last the 16th of April instant, found him about Eight at night at the widow Crow's in Boston, and there dranke two pots of beer and a halfe a pint of Rhum, there was in Company with them John Day, Aaron Crow and another man whose name the Examinant knows not, said Robert Fowler had dranke over much, said Fowler and the Examinant came away together after ye bell Rang for nine and went in company to the lower end of Conney's Lane, the Examin't went up the Lane to his Lodgeing at Matthew Gross's. Expecting s'd Fowler had followed him his wife being at s'd Gross's who inquired where her husband was the Examin't went to the door and called for him but received no answer, but went not out of the yard to seeke for him, but remain'd there all night and went to Bed, the next day Fowler's wife being much troubled her Husband came not home She and ye Examin't went about ye Town to inquire after him but could hear nothing of him, So ye Examin't went on board ye Ship about his occasion and never saw the said Robert Fowler since he part'd from him of **Wensday night** of afores'd ye bottom of

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Coheny's lane, and heard nothing concerning him what may become of him untill this Eveaning he understood he was taken up dead out of ye mill pond. **Saith he doth not remember he was ever in Company of Robert Fowler and his wife at Goodwife Liechfield's.** Signed "**R**" — mark for Rob't Lawrence

Examination taken by . . . J's'a Addington, Assist.

On **page 37** also, Hannah Fowler is quoted as having said that on **Wednesday last the 16th of April instant** about an hour before Sunset her Husband Robert Fowler and she were together at Matthew Gross's house in Boston, and her husband went out saying he would go to the widow Crow's and inquire for Robert Lawrence and return soon again, since which she hath never

seen or heard of him, though hath made inquiry after him and sent several letters on board Cap'ne Cyprians (spell.?) ship to make inquiry for him, while she heard **this afternoon** he was taken up dead out of the mill pond. Saith she inquired particularly for her husband, of Robert Lawrence, and he bid her she should not trouble herself, her husband was well enough, **said last Tuesday, the 15th of April instant in the evening, her husband, Robert Lawrence, and herself were in company together at Widow Liechfield's and drank a pot of beer there**; said she was very desirous when the Jury of Inquest was viewing the body of her husband that Robert Lawrence might be sent for, being the last man that she knew to be in his company. " — signed Hannah Fowler" with her mark

Page 38: Mercy Dew of full age testified that Robert Lawrence and the wife of Robert Fowler came to this deponent's house on **Thursday last, the 17th of April** . . . to inquire for the said Robert Fowler, saying that the said Robert Fowler was missing, and Lawrence said that Fowler and he were in company together **the evening before** said Fowler being in drink and that there were some angry words passed but did not particularly express betwixt whom; but said Lawrence seemed to be greatly concerned and in much distress about it, stamping and carrying himself like a man in horror saying he feared if anything were amiss with the said Fowler he should be brought into trouble about it the deponent apprehending he had some guilt . . . (illegible word) on him said if he were innocent what need he to be so concerned, he replied he was clear. " — signed Mercy M Dew" (the "M." probably being her mark).

Mary Liechfield said that Robert Lawrence, Robert Fowler and his wife were drinking together in Company at her house one evening the last week. To the best of her remembrance it was on Friday night last, the 18th of April instant.

Sp32. The following isolated magazine-article apparently was meant as a space filler. Subject of the article is MARY (-----) Long LITCHFIELD Hooper (ANCESTOR X.200.). **The Genealogical Magazine**, June, 1916, 3: 159 (original record given as "**Suffolk Files**, 3293"). The magazine was published by the Genealogical Magazine Company at Concord, New Hampshire. A copy was seen in the Los Angeles City Library (Genealogical Section) by this searcher, 12.28.1979. Also see Sp52.D. and E.

> Warrent addressed to constables of Dorchester, Milton, and Braintree: Information and complaint being made to me by Jacob Amsden, waiter and searcher for the duties of excise, that Mary Litchfield **als** Hooper of Dorchester and Nathaniel Wyat of do. presume to sell Cyder, Rhum, or bothe and other strong drink, without licence, to arrest said Litchfield and Wyat, and to summon as witnesses: John Bird, Sr., Obadiah Swift, Noah Beman, Eben'r Davenport, all of Dorchester; Peter Lyon, of Milton; John Jordan, of Braintree; Sam'l Chandler, Peter Kelly, Jona. Chandler, Joseph Chandler, all of Dorchester.

Dated: Boston 28 Mar., 1696.—

Both were convicted on own confession, and were fined and Wyat was ordered committed untill he pay his fine.

Sp33. A Report of the Record Commissioners of the City of Boston, containing Dorchester Births, Marriages, and Deaths to the End of 1825, Boston: 1891. A copy of this reference was located in the Los Angeles City Library (Genealogy) on 12.28.1979 by this searcher. This source was reported in the Lazell manuscript of the Straight Family, a copy of which is also in the same library.

Names chosen from the index included "Leichfield, Litchfield, Long, Longe, Wiat, Wiate, Wyat, Shippey, and Bently." The events occurred in Dorchester (MA)

(**A**) Vol. 21, p. 20: "1661. **Joseph Long was Married unto Mary by the Honorable Governor, the 3d (mo: 12) 1661.**"

(**B**) Vol. 21, p. 9: "1665. **Mary the Daughter of Joseph Long was Born the 9th of the 4 (mo:)1665.**"

(**C**) Vol. 21, p. 11: "1667. **Sarah** the Daughter of Joseph Long was Born the 3d (mo:7) 1667."

(**D**) Vol. 21, p. 11: "1669. **Joseph** the Son of Joseph Long was Born 31 (mo:6) 1669."

(**E**) Vol. 21, p. 11: "1669. Nathaniel the Son of **Nathaniel Wyat** was Born 26 (mo: 9) 1669."

(**F**) Vol. 21, p. 12: "1671. Edward the Son of **Nathaniel Wyat** was born the 5th (mo:8) 1671."

(**G**) Vol. 21, p. 12: "1671. **Hannah** the Daughter of Joseph Long was Born the 3d (mo:12) 1671."

(**H**) Vol. 21, p. 13: "1673. **Alwen** the Son of Joseph Long was Born the 28th (mo:9) 1673."

(**I**) Vol. 21, p. 23: "Dorchester Marriages. 1675. William Bently and Mary Houghton were Married by Mr. William Stoughton January the (20) 1675." (**relevancy?**)

(**J**) Vol. 21, p. 28: "Dorchester Deaths. 1676. **Joseph Longe Sen'r. Died August 26th 1676.**"

(**K**) Vol. 21, p. 17: "Dorchester Births. 1678. **Ann the Daughter of Thomas Leichfeild Born August 18th: 78.**"

(**L**) Vol. 21, p. 24: "1681. Thomas Pope and Margaret Long were Married by the Worshipfull Humphrey Dave Esq'r. November 18th 81." (**relevancy?**)

(**M**) Vol. 21, p. 24: "Dorchester Marriages. 1682. **Peter Adames and Mary Long were Married by the Worshipfull John Hull Esq'r. January 4th, 1682.**"

(N) Vol. 21, p. 36: "Dorchester Births. 1691/2. Waitestill Wiate the Daughter of **Nathanell Wiate** and Mary his wife was Borne the (3) of January 1691/2."

(O) Vol. 21, p. 262: "Dorchester Deaths. 1773. Elinor Shippey the Widow of **Abraham Shippey** Died Octr. 26th, 1773." (**relevancy?**)

Sp34. History of the Town of Dorchester, Massachusetts, by a Committee of the Worchester Antiquarian and Historical Society, Boston: Ebenezer Clapp, Jr., 1859. A copy of this book was located by this searcher in the L. A. City Lib., 12.28.1979.

A. Page 209. In **1668**, Dorchester, a list of 46 owners of the "Great Lots" embracing 754 acres were named. Among the names was **Joseph Long, 10 acres**.

B. Page 126. "**William Lane** came to Dorchester about **1636**. He was a man in humble life, and died about **1654**. He had sons, Andrew and George, who lived in Hingham. In his will he names sons Nathaniel Baker and Thomas Lincoln, of Hingham. **He had a daughter Mary Long; probably the widow of Joseph Long, and if so, she afterwards married Joseph Farnsworth** — but in his will he calls Joseph Farnsworth brother. . ."

C. Page 256. "Canady Soldiers. A list of names of soldiers under command of Capt. John Withington, **Oct. 3, 1690**," including the names of **Joseph Long** and **Edward Wiatte**.

D. Page 221. **December 11, 1671**. "**Joseph Long** was sent for, to answer for entertaining a maid, or young woman, in his house and service, who was not of any good report. His answer was, she was to depart the town the next day."

Sp35. Records of the First Church at Dorchester in New England, 1636 - 1734, Boston: 1891; copies consulted in the Social Sciences Reference Section of the Boston Public Library and the Genealogical Section of the Los Angeles Central Library (Gen. R974.42, D69DoF).

Item **184**(p). **Mary Long, age 10 in 1676, Dorchester**, was named as a young maid in the records of the First Church of Dorchester. / / She is believed to have been the daughter of **MARY** and **Joseph Long**.

Item **113**. On the 27th day of the 12th month of 1680 (***i.e.*** **February 27, 1680/1**), "ther was a **Contribution** for **Goody Leichfeild** and **Mitchell of Malden** at w'ch tim there was Colected & ye next day sent in to ye Sume of 11-17-9 of w'ch about 7 pound in p'ticuler for **leichfeld** & ye rest to be devided" / / Undoubtedly parishioners made donations at this time in partial payment for the eventual redemption of MARY LITCHFIELD from enslavement by the Turkish pirates in Algiers.

Item ----. "5th of 1st mo of 1693 — New seating in the First Church of Dorchester in "the third Seat Bye Pulpitt" included these names: Mrs. Horton, Israel Hows wife, Oniseph: Tillstons wife, **Goodwife Hooper**, Goodwife

Maroh, John Trescots wffe, and Sam: Capens wife. / / From another source Oniseph: appears as Onesiphorus. "Goodwife Hooper" is MARY (-----) LONG LI(T)CHFIELD HOOPER (Ancestor X.200.).

Item **252.** Seats at the Table (Women's) having been new seating for the 5th day of the 10th month of 1698 (December 5, 1698) included "The third Seat Bye Pulpitt (for) Mrs. Horton, Israel Hows wife, Oniseph: Tillstons wife, **Goodwife Hooper**, Goodwife Maroh, John Trescots wife, (and) Sam: Capens wife / / **Goodwife Hooper** is MARY HOOPER (Anc. X.200.).

Item **152.** In about **July of 1702, Elis. Long** was examined and propounded for laying hold of the Covenant in the Church. Identity?

Item **232.** In 1702, **Elisabeth Long** laid hold of the Covenant & was baptised at this time.

Sp36. Selected Suffolk County Deeds.

A. Suffolk Deed, 16:253, Suffolk Co., MA, dated **October 21, 1693. Henry Straight of East Greenwich, RI, wheelwright and Mary his wife, and MARY LONG, alias MARY LITCHFIELD, alias MARY HOOPER, mother of said Mary**, for L12, sold to Mr. John Danforth, clerk, three acres of pasture in Dorchester, formerly **Joseph Long's** lot.

Indenture for sale of real estate by "Straight to Danforth" in Document of Book 16, Pages 253 and 254, located in the Suffolk Registry of Deeds, Court House, Government Center, Boston, MA 02108.

The indenture was made on October 21, 1693, "in the 5th year of William and Mary of England, etc., King and Queen, between **Mr. Henry Straight** of East Greenwich in the Jurisdiction of Rhoad Island Colony, Wheelwright, and **Mary** his wife and **Mary Hooper** alias **Mary Litchfield** alias **Mary Long** mother to said **Mary Straight** and living in Dorchester in the Province of Massachusets Bay in New England on the one part, and **John Danforth** of said Dorchester, Clerk, on the other part," for the sum of twelve pounds current money of New England for a certain parcel of pasture land in Dorchester containing by estimate some rods more than three acres of that lot that was known as **Joseph Long's** Lot, bounded by a highway by Samuel Paul's eastwardly, by lands lately of Enoch Wiswall's now said Danforth's by gift of William Stoughton, and other land lately the Honorable William Stoughton's southward and westwardly by lands of Philip Wittington's and northwardly by the late lot of said William Stoughton's Esquire known anciently by the name of Mr. Stoughton's Lot or Pasture within the Great Lots fence. Signed by their marks and seals were the names of **Henry Straight**, **Mary Straight**, and **Mary Hooper**. Witnesses were **Praise Ever Jones**, **Lydia** (X) **Elder.** Delivery was made in presence of **David Perkins** and **Samuel Pearce**.

On October 23, 1693, H. and M. Straight and M. Hooper acknowledged the instrument to be their act and deed. The entry was made by Joseph Webb, Clerk, on January 9, 1693/4.

B. Suffolk Deed, 21:272, Suffolk Co., MA, dated **June 9, 1703**. Henry Straight of East Greenwich, RI, wheelwright, and Mary his wife, daughter of **MARY LONG, formerly a widow but since called MARY LITCHFIELD and lastly MARY HOOPER, lately deceased**, for L31 sold to **Ephraim Howard of Dorchester**, one-quarter of an acre in Dorchester granted her by the Town on the **4th day of the monthe of 1676**, consent to this sale having been obtained from the Selectmen of Dorchester.

C. Suffolk Deed, 21:373, Suffolk Co., MA, dated **July 30, 1703. SAMUEL SHIPPEY of East Greenwich, RI, and ANNE his wife**, for L9.18.6, release to **our brother Henry Straight and Mary his wife** our interest in house and land in Dorchester, formerly of **our mother MARY HOOPER.**

Identification and classification:

MARY (-----), Anc.X.200., was married successively to (1) Joseph Long, (2) THOMAS LITCHFIELD, Anc.X.199., and (3) John Hooper; she was the mother of both Mary Long, who married (1) Peter Adams and (2) Henry Straight, and of MRS. SAMUEL (**ANN LITCHFIELD**) SHIPPEE, Anc.IX.100.

Sp37. A Report of the Record Commissioners of the City of Boston, containing the Boston Records from 1660 to 1701, Boston: Rockwell and Churchill, 1881. A copy of this Volume 7 was located by this searcher in the Los Angeles City Library on Dec. 28, 1979, and was referred to again in 1981.

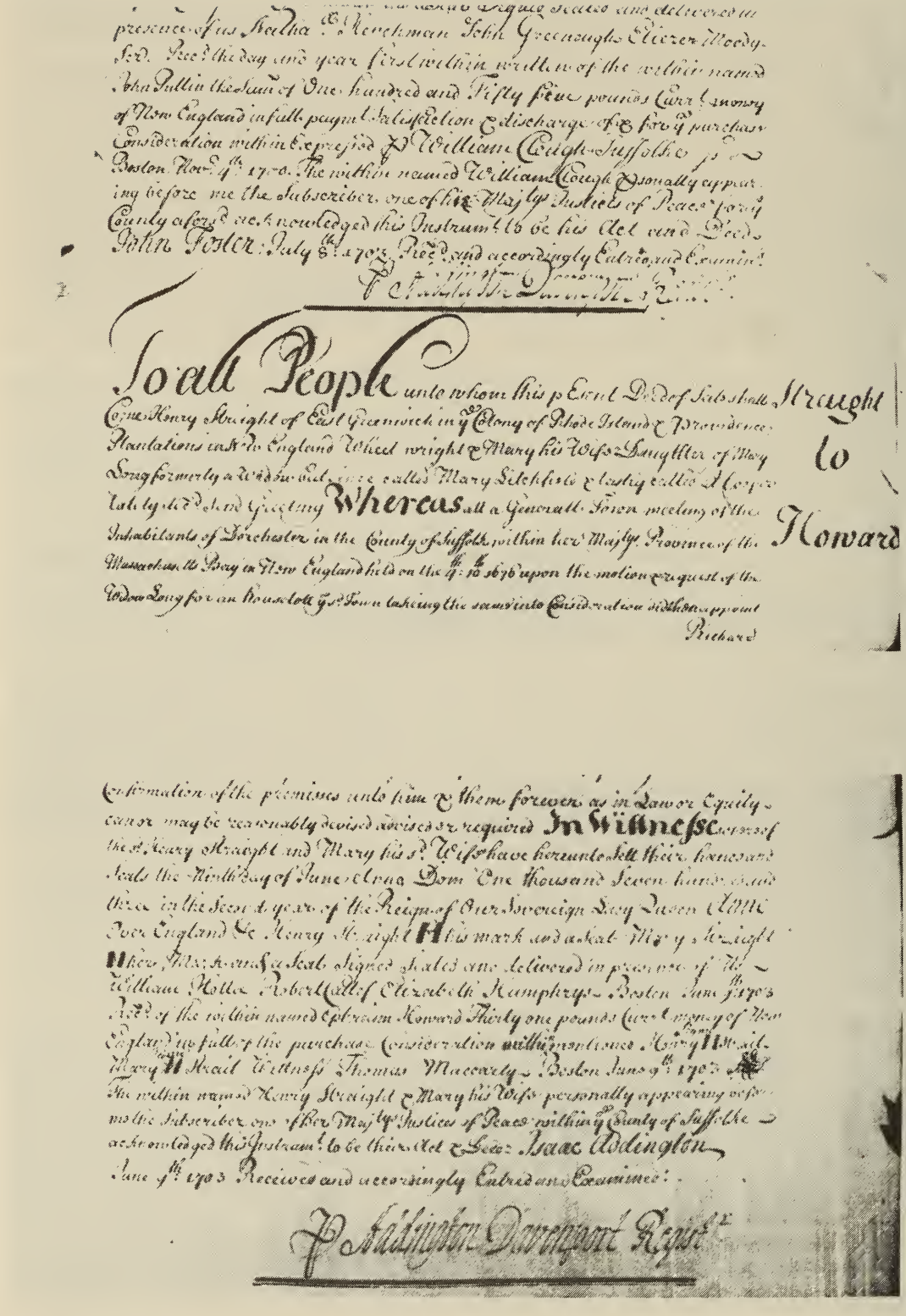
A. Original Page 122: On **March 20, 1678/9**, at a meeting of Capt. Thomas Brattle, Lt. Daniell Turill, John Joyliffe, Capt. Elisha Huchinson, and Lt. Theophilus Frary (the Selectmen of Boston), it was ordered that a Warrant be granted to the Constable to levy upon the Estate of **Robert Sedgwicke** 20 shillings for (the) entertaining of **THOMAS LEACHFEILD** contrary to a town order.

This "THOMAS LEACHFEILD" is believed by this searcher to be THOMAS LICHFIELD (Ancestor X.199.) who married MARY (-----) LONG LITCHFIELD HOOPER (Ancestor X.200.). They were the parents of ANN, b 1678, Dorchester (Colonial MA).

B. Original Page 122: On "1679 Aprill 28th," the several persons underwritten were ordered to be returned to the Court viz't. **Daniell Cattle**, **Thomas Rider** Millar, "**Tho: Litchfeild and his Family come from Dorchester**," **John Rix** blacksmith, came from Pascatoqua, **John Corps** Cooper, persons formerlie returned to the Court but remain still in the town, returned to the Court. "**Tho. Davis** Blksmith of **Metfeild**, **Alexander Calman**, Shoomaker, **Peter Chucke** wine coop."

C. Original Page 124: At sometime before August 18, 1679, **Alexander Johnson**, at "**Widow Longs** or in Prison" . . .

"Widow Long" may have been Widow MARY (-----) LONG, although she was presumably married to THOMAS LI(T)CHFIELD at this time.



The Dorchester Home of Ancestor X.200. **MARY** was sold on June 9, 1703, by her daughter Mary. Suffolk County Deed Book 21, pages 272-4, Boston; Sp36.B.

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Richard Leeds, Richard Baker, [illegible] Hall, William Sumner & Serjeant
Clap to be a Committe to look out a place that might be Convenient not Exceeding a
quarter of an Acre of Ground, they to determine the thing, soon after which
there was by them Layd out unto the sd Widow Long a peice of Land containing
about a quarter of an Acre lying upon Dorchester Commons commonly Called
the Buck Commons Near unto Noah Beamans Land being bolled and Surrounded by
the sd Commons on all points of the Compass upon which she built an house
planted an Orchard and Fenced & Stone Walled the same in. And Whereas the
sd Mary Long Widow again Married with One Thomas Litchfield after which in a
Voyage from Boston in New England towards England shee was taken by the
Enemy and Carried into Algier where for some time before her Redemption she
remained a Captive and in the mean time her then Husband the sd Thomas
Litchfield by his petition presented to the Inhabitants of Dorchester all a
Generall Town Meeting held the 5th December: 81: Craved Liberty of sd Town
to Sell his sd Wifes house and Ground: But the sd Town in Answer thereto by
a Vote then determined that it should be left to the Select Men for to Consider
and determine the matter. After which to wit upon the 1st day of 9 10th Month
(81) again in Answer to the Petition of the sd Thomas Litchfield the Select men of
Dorchester Ordered that the Land that was given to the Widow Long, should not
be Sold, nor alienated to any Person or Persons whatsoever either by him or any
of his Successors from time to time, neither did the Select men that then were
Consent that the sd Litchfield should sell the Land to any person whatsoever
untill he should first attain the Consent of his Wife therein, which he never did,
he the said Litchfield being Divorced from his Wife Soon after her return from
her Captivity. And whereas the sd Mary Long Alt. Litchfield Alt. Hooper
lately departed this life without receiving any Power of Disposition of sd Land
from sd Select men or their Successors; Whereupon the sd Henry Straight
on the 7th day of this Instant June applyed himself to the Select men of the
Town of Dorchester for the time being for to have Liberty Granted by them
unto the sd Henry Straight & Mary his Wife the Daughter of ye sd Mary Long
&c lec.d to Sell & dispose of sd Land Granted unto her Mother as aforsd upon
which sd Application made as aforesd the sd Select men gave free Consent
unto them to Sell it unto Ephraim Howard of Dorchester or any other
whom the Select men shall approve of, as in and by the abovesd grant Vote
and orders or Record thereof reference whereto being had more fully may ap-
pear. Now know yee that the sd Henry Straight & Mary his Wife
d in Consideration of the Sum of Thirty one pounds Carrt money of New
England to them in hand well and truely paid all & before the Ensealing &
Delivery of these presents by the sd Ephraim Howard of Dorchester aforsd
Taylor the receipt whereof to full Content & Satisfaction they do hereby
acknowledge & thereof & of every part thereof do acquit Exonerate & discharge
the sd Ephraim Howard his heirs Exec.rs Adm.rs & Assigns & every of them
forever by these presents. Have given granted bargained Sold aliond

D. On **June 15, 1681**, at a meeting of all the Selectmen, it was ordered and agreed with **Deacon (Henery) Allen** that "**the widdow Longe be allowed 6 shillings per week for her present releife untill her house be disposed of to supply her wants, 4 shillings to be paid by Deacon Allen, and 2 shillings by the town treasurer.**"

This "widdow Longe" is believed to have been MARY (-----) LONG(E) LI(T)CHFIELD HOOPER who at this time was a captive of the Turks in Algiers but was in possession of her house. The Deacon, this searcher guesses, may have been the person collecting money for her redemption, the amount of her ransom being unknown to this searcher.

Sp38. Rhode Island Colonial Records, 3: 72-3. Full title: **Records of the Colony of Rhode Island, and Providence Plantations, in New England**, 1858, Vol. 3: 1678 to 1706 (editor, John Russell Bartlett, Sec. of State); Vol. 3, Pages 72-73.

November 10, 1679, "Proceedings of the Generall Assembly for the Collony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations at Newport, the **10th of November, 1679.**"

The Assembly called and satt.

> Voted, That **Henry Straite**, petitioning this Assembly therein haveing represented that he beinge by one of the inhabitants of East Greenwich, viz: Henry Brightman, desired and employed to build on his land at said Greenwich, and soe doinge, the said Brightman haveing surrendered his right to the said lands at Greenwich.

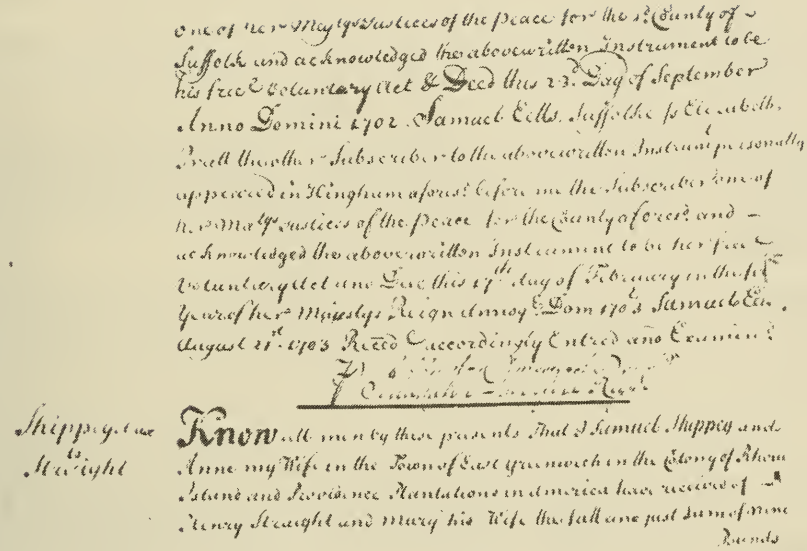
Sp39. *Ibid.*, Vol. 4, p. 479. **Samuel Strait of East Greenwich** was admitted freeman of the RI and PP Colony on **May 1, 1733.**

Sp40. *Ibid.*, Vol. 4, pp. 494-5. **Thomas Straight** . . . Benjamin Cahoone, **John Straight, son of Henry** . . . William Weaver, Jr. . . . **all of East Greenwich**, are admitted freemen . . .

Sp41. Mrs. Mary (Wood) Bates, **Long Family of Dorchester, Mass., and Conn., and Other Families**, Evanston, Illinois, 1931. A copy of this typescript is in the library of The New England Historic Genealogical Society, Boston, MA.

Among other relevant original-sources mentioned in the typescript, are important Suffolk County Deeds including (1) Book (or volume) 21, page 272, entitled "The Estate of Mary Long, Wife of Joseph Long of Dorchester, Mass.," June 9, 1703; and (2) Book 16, page 253, dated both January 9, 1693/4, and October 21, 1693. The location of both was given (1931) as the Suffolk County Deed Books, Suffolk County Building, Boston, MA.

See Book 21, page 272, for important biographical data including the name of Algiers as the place of captivity for Ancestor MARY LONG or MARY LITCHFIELD or lastly MARY HOOPER "lately deceased" (before June 9, 1703). MARY'S quarter-acre in Dorchester, which was granted to her on the "fourth day of the tenth month of 1676," was sold to Ephraim Howard. **See Sp42. and photos.**



one of her Maj^ys Justices of the Peace for the s^d County of Suffolk and acknowledged the abovewritten Instrument to be his free Voluntary Act & Deed this 23^d Day of September Anno Domini 1702. Samuel Eells. Suffolke ss Elizabeth Pratt the other Subscriber to the abovewritten Instrum^t personally appeared in Hingham afores^d before me the Subscriber one of her Maj^ys Justices of the Peace for the County afores^d and acknowledged the abovewritten Instrument to be her free Voluntary Act and Deed this 17th day of February in the fifth Year of her Majestys Reign Annoq^e Dom 1703 Samuel Eells. August 21st 1703 Recd^d accordingly Entred and Examined

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Shippey & Ux to Straight

Know all men by these presents That I Samuel Shippey and Anne my Wife in the Town of East Greenwich in the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations in America have received of Henry Straight and Mary his Wife the full and just Sum of Nine Pounds

Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Eight pence which is in Consideration of Nonuse and Land in Dorchester with all Orchards Stone wall House or Housing and all appur^ces whatsoever thereto belonging to that Estate as our late deceed Mother Mary Hooper We say we are fully Satisfied and Contented. And farther We the afores^d Samuel Shippey and Anne my Wife do bind Our Selves Our heirs and Assigns To Warrant and Defend the Sale of the same jointly and with Henry Straight Our Brother having received full Satisfaction and Contentment we say recd the Thirtieth day of July 1703 by us Samuel Shippey & his mark and a Seal Anne Shippey her mark & and a Seal. Signed and Sealed and Owned in the presence of us John Rithernoy Thomas Fry. The abovenamed Samuel Shippey & Anne his Wife personally appeared this Second day of August 1703 and acknowledge the above written Instrum^t to be their Act and Deed before me Thomas Fry Just^e August 24th 1703. Received and accordingly Entred and Examined

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Dering to Borland

To all People unto whom this present Deed of Sale shall come Henry Dering of Boston of the County of Suffolke within Her Maj^ys Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Sendeth Greeting Know yee That I the said Henry Dering for and in Consideration of the Sum of Fifty pounds Currant money in New England to me in hand at and before the sealing and Delivery of these presents well and truly paid by John Borland of Boston afores^d Merch^t the receipt whereof to full content and Satisfaction I do hereby acknowledge and thereof and of every part and parcel thereof do acquit and

In this document of July 30, 1703, two of Ancestor X.200. **MARY'S** daughters are identified as Mary (Long) Straight, wife of Henry Straight, and **ANNE (LITCHFIELD) SHIPPEY**, wife of **SAMUEL SHIPPEY**. Suffolk County Deed Book 21, pages 373-4, Boston; Sp36.C.

The two deeds mentioned above and another one for Suffolk County, Book 21, page 373, dated July 30, 1703, were also referred to in reference Sp21. by T.S. Lazell in 1945 (and later reviser-compilers for the Straight family).

Sp42. This valuable record is excerpted in Sp36.B. This Suffolk County Deed in Book 21, pages 272-4, was dated June 9, 1703. The record was located in the Suffolk County Building in Boston. See photos.

Sp43. Savage, J., **A Genealogical Dictionary of the First Settlers of New England**, Boston: 1860-1862, originally; reprinted 1977 by Genealogical Pub. Co., Baltimore; Vol. IV, pp. 25-26, and 274.

Perez Savage of Boston was also held captive by the Turks in Algiers, where he died. Contributions to redeem from the Turks him and his nephew Thomas Thacher, as well as many others, had in former years been made, as for more, in later years by general concert of town and country churches, and for young Thacher they were not too late. Perez Savage's first **will** was proved April 18, 1695, after his death at Mequinez[1] in Barbary had been ascertained. However, into the Prerogative Court of the Archbishop of Canterbury, at London, May 11, 1702, was brought a later **will** of May 24, 1694, by the same testator "made in my sick bed," at Mequinez, whereby — after small money presents to Robert Carver, or Carew, and four others, probably his companions in the sad slavery, to whom one of the two witnesses was the same Carver — all his property in hands of Richmond Hill of Cadiz, merchant, or in London, or in New England, was bequeathed to the nephew then under 21 years of age, supposedly his companion in that Algerian misery. Perez Savage was b Feb. 17, 1652, son of Thomas (William's son and merchant of Boston, and briefly a RI settler, 1638) and Faith (Hutchinson) (dtr of Ann and William) Savage. During King Philip's War, Perez was an ensign of Moseley's company, badly wounded at Swansey, June 29, 1675, and again in the Narragansett swamp fight, Dec. 19, 1675. He never married.

Sp44. A Report of the Record Commissioners of the City of Boston, containing the Boston Records from 1660 to 1701, Boston: Rockwell and Churchill, 1881. A copy of this Volume 4 (indexed), "City Document No. 9, Dorchester Town Records," is in the Los Angeles City Library. Eleven items indicated in the "Chronology or Time Line for the Maternal Grandmother of SARAH SHIPPEE, Sp:ADh., MARY (-----) LONG LITCHFIELD HOOPER, Ancestor X.200., **et al**."

Sp45. First Report of the Record Commissioners of the City of Boston, 1876 (1881 ed.), pp. 88, 112, and 140.

A. (p. 88) **THO. LEACHFIELD** — No. 5, Town Rates made June 6, 1687; Town tax for Precinct No. 5.

B. (p. 112) MARY LECHFIELD — 8 "Housing Mills & Wharves" — 8 d (cents). City Document No. 92, Sheet No. 5 of Tax List and Schedules for

[1] Mequinez is Meknes, French Morocco.

1687. The original is in the files of the Secretary of State's Office, Book 126, pp. 286-306. Among those named were Tho. Guttrage, Ben Harris, **Mary Lechfield**, and John Paintor.

C. Boston Valuation of 1688. At the State House also will be found in the Usurpation Papers, Vol. 29, pp 139 to 159 inclusive, a list of tax-payers and their property, in Boston, in 1688.

1688. Sheet No. 5 (Heads). Among the names were those of Robert Gutteridge, 2; **MARY LEICHFIELD**, O; and John Painter, 1.

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Sp51. References in the NEHGS Library, Boston: Hoyt, David, **Genealogy of Amesbury, Salisbury Families**, 125; **Warden** (1901), 169.

On **May 2, 1693**, a "**Thomas Litchfield**" married a "**Sarah Davis**" in Amesbury (Colonial MA).

Positive identity has **not** been made. He **may** have been THOMAS LI(T)CHFIELD (Ancestor X.199.), former husband of MARY (-----) LONG LITCHFIELD HOOPER (Ancestor X.200.).

Sp52.A-H. Index to the Calendar Index, Suffolk Court Files, 1629 — 1700, Vol. XIII. Search was conducted August 29 and 30, 1981, Room 1404 of the Supreme Judicial Court, New Court House, Boston, MA 02108.

A. #162261 **Litchfield, Thomas**, of Boston, obtained a warrant to search for stolen goods 23 March 1691 ment'd; etc, bond by 25 March 1691 (Litchfield & Greenleafe); Enoch Greenleafe to answer to (Bond 25 March 1691).

B. #162261 **Litchfield, Mary**, Goods shipped upon account of, ment'd (Litchfield & Greenleafe, 1691).

C. #162230 **Litchfield, Thomas**, deposition of Charles Jonson as to, 8 Sept. 1685.

D. #3293 **Litchfield, Mary**, alias Hooper, etc, of Dorchester, warrant against, 28 Mar. 1696.

E. #25359 **Lichfeilld, Marey**, alias Hooper, of Dorchester, warrant against, (who) sold liquor without a license.

F. #130010 **Litchfeild, Mary**, of Boston, etc., bond by, 5 Mar. 1687.

G. #26035 **Hooper, Mary**, etc. summoned (Worsely and Fales).

H. #343 **Longe, Joseph**, etc. children of Mary Farnworth, Will of Joseph Farnworth, 1659/60.

Sp52.A. & B. Record #162261 in Suffolk Court Files 1629 - 1700, Vol. XIII. Through use of the Index to the Calendar Index, this original record was located in Room 1404 of the Supreme Judicial Court, New Court House, Boston (1981).

Boston, March the 25, 1691

Whereas **Tho. Litchfield** of Boston, obtained a warrant bearing date the 23rd instant to search for stolen goods — Constable George Ellistone, upon search found on board the Barke **John & Mathew**, Mathew Joans Master, severall goods, as upon Returne, upon said warrant may apeare owned by sayd **Tho. Litchfeild** to be his own proper goods, Mr. Enoch Greenliffe (Greenleafe) owning that he shipped severall goods upon sayd Barque upon **Mary Leitchfields** account. Be it knowne to all whome it may Concerne that we **Tho. Litchfield, Joseph Smith, Archer Haoll** (spell?), doe Binds ourselves Joyntly and severally, . . . the . . . some of one hundred pounds, to the Trust (?) of the County of Suffolke, that the sayd **Tho: Litchfield**, . . . all proofe . . . the sayed Greenliffe that the . . . court to be held In Boston, for entering into the house of sayed **Litchfield** and carrying or conveying away of the goods mentioned upon the constable's returne, and severall other goods. As witnesse our hands the day and year above written.

Witnesses: George Ellistone
Tho. Baker

As Witnesse our hand the day and year above written

Tho Lichfield[1]
Joseph Smith
. . . Heale (spell?)

Know all men by these presents, that I **Enoch Greenleafe**, I'm my selfe, my . . . to ye . . . of ye Countie of Suffolke, in the sum of one hundred pound, that I will appear at the next Countie Court, to be holden at Boston to — answer ye complaint of **Tho Litchfield**, for the said **Greenleafe** carrying or conveying several of the goods of the said **Litchfield**, which were found aboard the Barque **John & Mathew, Mathew Joans** Commander, and seazed aboard sayed vessle by ye Constable as witnesse my hand this **twentie fifth of March: 1691.**

Enoch Greenleafe

Witnesses: **George Ellistone**
Joseph Smith

Sp52.C. Suffolk Court File #162230, "Charles Jonson's Deposition made on September 8, 1685, regarding Thomas Litchfeild in March and April 1685;" location in Room 1404, Supreme Judicial Court, New Court House, Boston (1981).

[1]Note spelling in his own signature of his own surname: "L-I-C-H-F-I-E-L-D" as he himself preferred it.

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The Deposition of **Charles Jonson Aged 26 years** or thereabouts:

Testyfieth that I being at pensalvana In —— **March and Aprill 1685** I chanced severall times to go onshore to the house where **Thomas Litchfeild** lived and I saw there a woman which he upon severall occasions called wife and by Report of the people there he lived with her as her husband & further not[1] when I was ashore on my ocasions the said **Litchfeild** did send for sugar for his wife's Lying Inn[2]

Sworne in Bostone,
Sept. 8th 1685 before
John Joyliffe, Commissioner

Owned in Court by
the Deponent on his
. . . 8 Sept. 85 ERS

Sp52.D. Suffolk Court File #3293, "Arrest of **Mary Litchfield** alias **Hooper** and **Nathaniel Wyat**, March 28, 1696, Boston;" location in Room 1404, Supreme Judicial Court, New Court House, Boston (1981).

Isaac Addington Esquire one of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace within the said County of Suffolke — to the Constables of Dorchester, Milton, and Brantrey & each and every of them, Greeting —

Information and Complaint being made unto me by **Jacob Amsden** Waiter and Searcher for the Dutys of Excise That **Mary Litchfield** al **Hooper** of Dorchester & **Nathaniel Wyat** of the same place do presume to sell Cyder, Rhum, or both or other strong drink without licence, contrary to the Law in such case made and provided.

These are therefore in his Majesty's name to will & require you to attach the bodys of the said **Mary Litchfield** al **Hooper** and **Nathaniel Wyat** and each of them and bring them before my selfe or some other of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace to answer what shall be objected against them and each of them in the premises. And you are alike required to give notice unto and sumon **John Bird, Sen'r**, **Obadiah Swift**, **Noah Beaman**, & **Ebenezer Davenport** of Dorchester, **Peter Lyon** of Milton, **John Jordan** of Brantrey, **Samuel Chandler**, **Peter Kelly**, **Jonathan Chandler** and **Joseph Chandler** of Dorchester of the time and place, and to attend accordingly to give evidence against the said **Litchfield** and **Wyat** respectively — These of you may not faile. Given under my hand and seal at Boston the Twenty-eighth day of March 1696. In the Eighth yeare of his Majesty's Reign.

Isaac Addington

. . . **April 1696.**

[1]The word "not" should probably be read as "note" in this statement.

[2]An accurate explanation of this deposition is desirable.

Wyat and **Hooper** were both convicted this day, and finally convicted by their own confession of selling Cider without licence and fined forty shillings apiece as the law directs and two shillings six pence charges for **Wyat** and eighteen pence for **Hooper. Wyat** committed until he pay.

Sp52.E. Record #25359. No date (assumed to be in 1696).

Note: To the Constable of Dorchester —

Marey Lichfeilld alls **Hooper of Dorchester** sold Rum or cider without licence sometime about January or February last past

convict one time before

wittneses: John Bird, Sen'r
Obadiah Swifft
Noah Beaman
Ebenezer Davenport

Please to direct this writt to Dorchester, Milton, or to Brantrey.

Nathaniel Wyatt sold cider or rum or both sometime J or February last without licence

convict one time before

wittnes: Peter Lyon of Milton, John Jordan of Brantrey, Sam'l Chandler, Peter Kelly, Jonathan Chandler, Joseph Chandler of Dorchester.

J. A. Amsden
Waiter and searcher for the
Dutys of Import & Excise

Sp52.F. Suffolk Court File #130010, "**Mary Litchfeild** of Boston, etc., bond by, 5 March 1687," location in Room 1404, Supreme Judicial Court, New Court House, Boston (1981).

Know all men by these presents that wee **Nath:11 Harding** of Boston in New England Marriner and **Mary Litchfeild** of the same are holden and stand firmely bound unto his Excellency Sir Edmund Andros Kn:t Cap't Grall and Governour in Cheife under his most Sacred Majestie James the Crowned King of England etc. In cover the Territory and Dominion of New England In two hundred pounds currant money of New England aforesaid to be paid to his said Excellency Sir Edmund Andros his Executors Administrators or assignes to which payment will and truly to be made wee bind ourselves and each of us our and each of our heires Executors and Administrators joyntly . . . and **dated the fifth day of March Anno Dm 1687 Annog** . . .

The Condicon of this Obligation is such that if hereafter there shall not appear any Lawfull Lett or Impediment by reason of any p'contract Consagnuinity affinity Or any other Lawfull means whatsoever, but that the above bound **Nathaniell Harding** and **Hannah**

Know all men by these presents That Wee Nath.ll Harding of Boston in New England Marriner and Mary Litchfield of the same are holden and stand firmely bound unto his Excellency Sr Edmund Andros Knt Capt Gral and Governour in Cheife vnd.r his most Sacred Majestie James the Second King of England &c In & over the Territory & Dominion of New England In two Hundred pounds Currant money of New England aforesaid To be paid to his said Excellency Sr Edmund Andros his Exec.s Admin.s or assignes Tow.ch payment well and truly to be made wee bind our selves and each of vs our and each of our heires Exec.s and Administrators Joyntly & Severally for & in the whole firmely by these presents Sealed with our Seales and Dated the fifth day of March Anno Dni 1687 Anno Jacobi Secundi Regis Angl &c Quarto.

The Condicon of this Obligacon is such That if hereafter there shall not appeare any Lawfull Letter Impediment by reason of any precontract Consanguinity Affinity Or any other Lawfull meanes whatsoever but that the above bound Nathaniell Harding and Hannah Long of Boston aforesaid Spinster may Lawfully Solemnize Marriage togeather and in the same afterward Lawfully Remaine and Continue like man & wife according to the Lawes in that behalfe Provided That then the above Obligacon to be void Or else to be & remaine In full force and vertue

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presence of vs

Jos Donamy

Eastman

Nathaniell Harding

The marke of

Mary Litchfield

130010

Long of Boston aforesaid Spinster may Lawfully Solemnize Marriage togeather and in the same afterwards Lawfully Remaine and Continue like man & wife according to the Lawes in that behalfe Provided That then the above Obligation to be void Or else to be & remaine In full force and vertue

Nathaniell Harding (signed & sealed)

Signed Sealed and Delivered
in the presence of us
. . . Bonamy

The marke of
Mary **M** Litchfeild (mark & seal)

Sp53. Long, Hallock P. (of Washington, DC), "Settlers Surnamed Long to New England Before 1700," **The NEHGS Register**, January 1950, p. 37 (see p. 38 also for Robert Long); H. P. Long's sources include: (a) Emmerton and Waters, **New England Families in England**; (b) **The NEHGS Register**, 9:140, 100:220; 100:328; (c) Mass. Archives, 9:16; (d) **Records of the Colony of Mass. Bay**, p. 232; and (e) Bates, Mary (Wood), **Long Family of Dorchester and Conn.**, 1931 (MSS at NEHG Society Library).

Sp54. Massachusetts Archives, 9:16; Boston, MA. Also, the original record is quoted in **The Genealogical Magazine**, May 1905, 1:70. Widow Mary (Lane) Long later became the mother-in-law of the future Widow MARY (-----) LONG (Anc. X.200.).

Mary (Lane) Long's husband **Joseph Long** wrote his last letter to her before **May 22, 1651**, the date of her request to remarry. The letter was written in London and stated his intention of proceeding the next day to see his half-brother **William Long** and to obtain a legacy of 60 pounds left him by his father **Joseph Long**. **William Long** told **Captain Poole** of Taunton that he had not seen or heard from his brother. **Mr. Bishop** in England wrote to his son-in-law **John Holman** that **Joseph Long** cannot be heard of. **Widow Capen** of Dorchester received letters from her son[1] in England who had endeavored in vain to obtain a trace of **Joseph Long.** Others who had correspondents in England were interested but without result. **Joseph Long** was accordingly thought to be dead, and **Mary (Lane) Long** was given permission by the Court to marry.

Sp55. See Sp56. and Sp57 also. **The Records of the Colony of the Massachusetts Bay in New England**, Vol. 3:232 (orig. p. 298), May 22, 1651, "Mary Longs answer."

On **May 22, 1651**, Colony of the Mass. Bay in NE, Mary (Lane) Long received answer to her petition: "In answer to the petition of **Mary Longe, of Dorchester**, for liberty to marry, this Court declares, there can come no damage to any magistrate, or any other person authorized, that shall marry the petitioner, provided she be published according to law.

Sp56. General Index, Shurtleff Court Records, Vol. 4 - 1, 1650-60, page 51; Mass. Archives, Boston.

[1] Widow Capen's son in England is believed to have been named Gilbert Capen.

In ansr to the petition of **Mary Long, of Dorchester**, this Courte declares, that there cann come no damage to any magistrate or other appointed by lawe that shall marry the sajd Mary, so as shee be three tjmes published, as the lawe requires.

Sp57. N.B. Shurtleff Court Records III for 1644-57 (pub. 1854), **The Records of the Colony of the Massachusetts Bay in New England**, Vol. 3:232 (orig. 298), May 22, 1651.

In answer to the petition of **Mary Longe, of Dorchester**, for liberty to marry, this Courte declares, there can come no damage to any magistrate, or any other person authorized, that shall marry the petitioner, provided she be published accordinge to law.

Comment: Mary Longe, widow of Joseph Long, mother of Joseph and Thomas Long, and in 1651 about ten years away from becoming a mother-in-law of MARY (-----) LONG (Anc. X.200.), received an official answer to her petition to remarry. Her husband had simply disappeared presumably in England while on a trip there from Boston to claim a legacy left to him by his father. The question whether he disappeared before or after receiving the money bequeathed to him according to his father's will is debatable.

Sp58. "Bill of Derby v. Long et al, **29 Sept. 1655**," Chanc. Proc. before 1714; Bridges 21/12; **NEHGS Register**, Vol. 100:220, July 1946. **Verbatim** quotation from **The Register**.

Joseph Longe gent. now deceased settled lands in Broad Magna, County Dorset, called Talbot's tenement and another parcel called Bradford's on his son **William Long** of Broad Magna or Magna Martell gent. The complainant was **Mathew Derby** of Dorchester gent., who claimed **William Longe** granted the premises to him before June 1654. The respondents were William Longe, Richard Savage of Dorchester woollen draper and Josiah Terry of Dorchester haberdasher. **Joseph Long** and his wife are now deceased. By a former wife **Joseph** had issue Elizabeth, Giles, Jasper, Joseph and Anne, all of whom except **Joseph**, who dwelt in New England, died without issue. **Joseph, who died in New England**, is thought to have had issue as he had L200[1] from his father's estate.

[1] 200 pounds

Complete comments in **The Register** (100:220): Matthew Derby was a cousin of Roger Derby of Salem, ancestor of the famous Salem family of that name. He was a solicitor at Dorchester co. Dorset (cf. **The Register**, vol. 79, p. 432).

Joseph Long of New England may have been of Dorchester, Mass., as the widow Mary Long married Joseph Farnsworth and had a son **Joseph Long** who was of **Dorchester** in 1660 **(cf. Savage, III, 108)**.

This searcher's comments: Did Joseph receive his legacy?

Original sources in England should be located. Perhaps the starting point for obtaining a copy of the original document (quoted) would be to contact the Public Record Office, Que Gardens?

Can the question be resolved regarding whether or not Joseph Long actually received any money from his father's estate? He was seeking 60 pounds but was supposed to have received 200 pounds having died either in England or (perhaps) in New England, respectively. When and where **did** he die?

Did any person from New England besides the vanished Joseph Long attempt to claim a share of this estate for any descendant(s) of the following three Joseph Longs? **Joseph Longe of County Dorset, England**, had a **son Joseph Long of New England** (Dorchester, Colonial MA) who disappeared. However, this **Joseph Long of New England** had by wife Mary (Lane) Long a **son Joseph Long of Dorchester** too, the father of several children by his **Widow MARY (-----) LONG LI(T)CHFIELD** who, in turn, may have been strongly motivated to leave Boston for England on the quest of the legacy fully intending to make the claim for her children. Poor **MARY** left Boston for England only to be taken captive by the ransom-demanding Turkish-pirates and enslaved in Algiers for several years. She was fortunate to have been redeemed and to have been brought back to Boston, although she had failed to reach her destination and had failed in her mission, whatever that mission might have been.

Sp59. Long, Hallock Porter, of Washington, DC, supplied the following four paragraphs (quoted **verbatim**) regarding the Long Family. **NEHGS Register**, Vol. 100:328, October 1946. Refer to Sp58.

> **Longe Family Descendants: Addenda**. In the July, 1946, **Register** (C:220), Prof. G. Andrews Moriarty tells of a lawsuit in Dorchester, England, Derby vs. William Longe et al. in 1655. It names his father as Joseph, who had by a former wife, Elizabeth, Giles, Jasper, **Joseph** and Anne. That William received lands in Broad Magna, Dorset, and **Joseph** "who died in New England" is thought to have had issue as he had two hundred pounds from his father's estate.
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> In the Records of the Colony of Mass. Bay, p. 232, and Mass. Archives (9:16) we find that on **22 May 1651** the Court granted Mary Longe of Dorchester (Mass.) liberty to remarry upon consideration of her petition and supporting affidavits reciting that her husband

Joseph Long went to England to see his brother William about a legacy from their father's estate; that he was last heard from at London when he wrote that he was proceeding the next day; that his brother William stated he had not seen or heard of him; that other efforts to locate him in England were unavailing and he was thought to be dead. Mary was a daughter of William Lane to Dorchester, Mass., by 1636, and married (2) Joseph Farnsworth, and (3) John Wilcox, Jr. Her will dated 3 April 1671 is on file at Hartford, Conn.

The **will** of Joseph Farnsworth (9 **NEHG Reg** 140) filed 1 Jan. 1659/60 (?-Jan. **1**-?), names his wife Mary and "her two children which she had by her other husband, namely **Joseph Long** and **Thomas Long.**" **Joseph** died in 1676, Dorchester, and **Thomas** died in 1712, Windsor, Conn., both leaving issue.[1]

Another generation is probably given in **New England Families in England** by Emmerton & Waters, which gives the **will** of Gyles Longe, innholder of London, Holborn St. Sepulchres Next Newgate, 1607, which names sister Elizabeth, brother John, children Robert, Anne, Richard, **Joseph** (of Frome Basset, **Dorset**, 1606), and Jacob (or James). Other wills are included in this work of the London family of innholders to which Robert Long, 1590-1663, innkeeper, of Charlestown, Mass., Dunstable and St. Albans, near London, is thought to belong.

Sp60. The Will and Inventory of Joseph Farnworth of Dorchester, dated January 2 and 20, 1659, respectively. "Abstracts from the Earliest Wills on Record in the County of Suffolk, Mass.," **New England Historical and Genealogical Register**, April 1855, pp. 140-1. **Joseph Farnworth** was a step-father of **MARY'S** (Anc. X.200.) then-prospective (?) husband **Joseph Long**. **Thomas Long** was MARY'S prospective brother-in-law, then.

On **January 2, 1659, Joseph Farnworth of Dorchester** wrote his **Will.** Quoted in part: "unto **Mary**, my wife, 37 pounds, in money or other moveable Estate at money price; also 13 pounds 6s.8d. more out of my moveable goods as they shalbe indifferently prized. I give unto my wife **Mary**, the some of fowrescore pounds for portions for her two Children w'ch she had by her other husband, namely, **Joseph Long** and **Thomas Long**; to dispose of the same to them, when & as she shall see meete, whether alike proportion to both, or to one & ye other lesse, Considering theire dutie & behavior towards her as theire mother."

Other persons named included dtr Elizabeth, wife of John Mansfield; dtr Ester; dtr Mary, wife of Abraham Ripley; grandchild Joseph Peck, son of Simon Peck (who married with dtr Hannah, deceased); son Samuell

[1]Comments: **Joseph Long's** issue by his wife **MARY** all apparently died young with the exception of their daughter **Mary** who married (1) Peter Adams and (2) Henry Straight. Although having had no issue, she lived to be 92 years old. Her half-sister **ANN** is the ancestor of many Americans and Canadians. Other sisters of **Mary** may have had surviving issue at time of death. Although **no** living descendants of **Joseph Long**, MARY'S husband, are known today, many of his brother **Thomas** of CT are known to exist.

(under 21 y of age); dtr Rebecca; eldest son Joseph; friends John Minot and William Pond of Dorchester; witnesses Richard Withington, Joseph Weekes, and Enoch Wiswall.

The **Inventory**, dated **11 mo. 20th day 1659**, was taken by Hopestill Foster, Lawrence Smith, and Richard Withington.

Sp61. Will of **Mary (Lane) Long Farnsworth Wilcox**, dated 3 April, 1671, Middletown, CT. "Probate Records, 1663 to 1677," **A Digest of the Early Connecticut Probate Records** compiled in 1904 by Charles William Manwaring, pp. 255-6 (copy 75 of 1000, NEHGS Library, Boston).

"Page 92. **Wilcox, Mary**, of Middletown. Will dated 3 April, 1671 (no inventory)." Persons named include her husband John Wilcox, her son Samuel Fernsworth ("Tenn pounds sterling out of her Land in the great Lotts at Dorchester, as a remembrance of her, & the remaynder of the Lott shee gave unto her husband John Willcox"), and her son **Joseph Long**. "Moreover, she gave unto her sonn **Joseph Long** the Bill shee had of him for Land he Bought of her." Named also were Mary Wilcox, Sarah Long, friend Captain Hopestill Foster of Dorchester, and witnesses John and Ann Hall.

"Court Record, Page 114-7 September, 1671: The Will of Mary, the late wife of John Wilcox, exhibited and approved."

Sp62. General Index, Shurtleff Court Records.

A. Thomas Mi(t)chell of Malden (MA)

Item 1: v. 5: 1674-86; v. 15B:51.
"On March 15, 1663, bond was given by Thomas Michell and John Winsloe of Malden, seamen, to Richard Bellingham."

Item 2: v. 5: 1674-86; v. 61:72.
"On April 2, 1675, Thomas Mitchell of Malden was a prisoner of Moseley."

Item 3: v. 5: 1674-86; 61:112.
"Thos. Mitchell, aged ca 46 y."

B. Thomas Mitchel(l)

Item 1: v. 5: 1674-86; v. 61:135.
"On October 5, 1676, Thomas Mitchell is named as one of the pirates with Cornelius Anderson who was captured by Capt. Samuel Moseley, according to ans. of Gov. and Council to complaint of Ambassador of Holland."

Item 2: v. 5: 1674-86; v. 35:320.
"According to a report of March 18, 1689/90, Thomas Mitchel salvaged a duboy of gold from a wreck off the Bahama Islands, contrary to agreement."

Sp63. Suffolk Court File #28417, **Thomas Mitchell of Charlestown** (slavery in Algiers); record located in Room 1404, Supreme Judicial Court, New Court House, Boston (Aug. 1981, search of). Record is not dated but is probably ca 1680 (?).

To the Honored Simond Broadstrete Esquire Governor of the Masachusets Colloney In New England, And the Rest of the Honored Councell Now Siting in Boston.

Humbly sheweth by way of suplicateing your Honored . . . able a pitance on y'de behalfe of Benjamin Mirick a maried man of Charlestowne, Phillip Drinker (spell?), W'm March, **Thomas Mitchill**,[1] Michaell Newcombe, Batchlers all of Charlestowne, Benj. Basterd, Rodger Babell of Boston whome **are all in Slavery in Algier**, as by sundry letters from their owne hands, And allsoe ye inabillaty of all their Relations to helpe them with any Releife in order to their Deliverance out of this thraledume[2] and sad slavery Humbly craveing your Honored furtherance of this Charitable worke for ye puting it in Exicution and wee shall Ever Pray for all your honored health and prosperitie as in duty bound Ye Honored Humble Sirvants

Signed: Thomas Jenner: in behalf Charlstowne, Tho: Brattle, John Joyliffe, Daniel Turell, ---- -----(?), Elisha Hutchinson.

Sp64. In response to this searcher's queries, the following information was supplied by Ancestry Research Associates, Flint Cottage, Wendens Ambo, Saffron Walden, Essex, CB11 4UL, England, 18 September 1980; research: Noel Currer-Briggs.

A. State Papers Domestic. During period 1679-81 there are a good number of references to ships un-named being taken by the Algerines, and a good many other references to their being active in the approaches to the channel and the Mediterranean. The only vessels named are in news received on 22 June 1680 of the seizure by the Turks of Leghorn of two English ships bound for Smyrna — the **Hunter** and the **Thomas & Francis**. There is a reference in 1681 to there being no less than 2,500 English captives held at Algiers.

B. State Papers Colonial. References are for America and West Indies. Various references confirm that **William Harris** left New England about Christmas 1679 for England and was captured and taken to Algiers. He appears to have left in some stealth, and the ship is not named. It seems clear that some people in New England were **not** at all unhappy that his mission was delayed[3] by his capture. In 1680 there are references to "five or six of our vessels lost to Turkish pirates."

C. State Papers (Venetian). These are calendared only up to 1675. A brief examination of a printed volume indicates that this sort of incident is unlikely to be referred to before 1675.

D. State Papers Foreign. References were examined for Barbary Coast, 1671-1684 (S.P.71/72). An examination, although **not** a complete one,

[1]Thomas Mitchell of Charlestown ("Mitchill"), captive in Algiers, may **not** have been the same Thomas Michell of Malden, captive in Algiers.

[2]The word "thraledume" is thralldom (or bondage).

[3]Since William Harris reportedly (other source) died a few days after his arrival in England, his mission undoubtedly was **not** completed.

showed a letter from Algiers dated 2 February 1680/1 giving an additional list of captured ships including the **William & Mary** of New England for London, 21 July 1680.

E. High Court of Admiralty. Instant & Prize Court. Examination 1675-83. (HCA.13/78). Without the name of a particular ship to look for, only an initial examination was possible. However, we feel it is rather doubtful whether anything would emerge from this source even if the ship's name were known, except with a fairly long search. An H.C.A. action would presumably only have taken place when the witnesses were able to give evidence, and if they were all captured and not released for several years, any action might not take place until some time later.

Sp65. Complaint of **Thomas Long, MARY'S brother-in-law**. "Probate Records, 1663 to 1677," **A Digest of the Early Connecticut Probate Records**, compiled in 1904 by Charles William Manwaring, p. 195 (NEHGS Library, Boston).

Probate Record for page 168, Edward Elmer (or Elmore), Hartford; inventory taken 7 June 1676. The fourth of four paragraphs reads:

> Page 32—(Vol. VI) 18 June, 1696: **Thomas Long** complains that he hath not had that part of his Estate that is due to him in right of his wife from the Estate of Edward Elmer, Decd, but hath been rejected by law of part of the Land that was laid out to him by one of the Adms. on that Estate. This Court do order that the Adms., viz., John and Edward Elmer, do lay out his Land to him the sd. **Thomas** Long forthwith.

Sp66. Bodge, G. M., **Soldiers in King Philip's War**, pub. 1896, p. 364. This "Joseph Long" is unidentified.

On **April 24, 1676**, Punckapauge (in King Philip's War), the payroll included the names of "**Joseph Long**" 00-09-00 and "**John Spurr**" 00-09-00 (otherwise unidentified).

Sp67. The **Pope Genealogy**, pp. 91-92; reference located in the NEHGS Library, Boston. Was Margaret Long who married Thomas Pope the daughter of MARY (-----) LONG LITCHFIELD HOOPER and Joseph Long? They were all apparently of Dorchester and possibly related in this way, but this searcher is uncertain.

On **November 18, 1681**, **Margaret Long** married **Thomas Pope**. Thomas Pope, b 1643, m first 1670, Dorchester, to Elizabeth Merrifield, Henry's dtr. In **1688**, **Margaret (Long) Pope** died.

Sp68. Torrey's **New England Marriages Prior to 1700.**

A. See **NEHGS Register** 10:162 also.

In **1681**, **Thomas Long** and his **first** wife **Sarah Wilcox** were divorced; she married secondly David Ensign after 1688. This Thomas Long was MARY (-----) LONG LITCHFIELD HOOPER'S brother-in-law.

B. See VR721, NEHGS Library, also.

On **February 12, 1694/5**, Braintree (Colonial MA), a person named "**Peter Adams**" married Mary Webb.

This "Peter Adams" may **not** be the same person who was married to and divorced from Mary Long Adams Straight, the daughter of MARY (-----) LONG LI(T)CHFIELD HOOPER and Joseph Long. However, the name, place, and date would be quite some coincidence.

C. See **American Genealogy**, 12:196, also.

A person named "**Thomas Mitchell**" died in **1709, ae 81 y.** Is this Thomas Mitchell of Charlestown, of Malden, or of both?

Sp69. Record No. 1390.

To the Honored Court of Admiralty and Assistants now sitting in **Boston, June 18th, 1675.**

The Petition of **Thomas Mitchell** Humbly sheweth that this Honored Court at their last session in May were pleased to pass a sentence of Condemnation upon your Petitioner's Barque and goods: which your petitioner must owne to be just and legall according to what was before (or as things were then so presented to) this honored Court: but your petitioner doth humbly conseive that the truth of things did not then fully appeare: for the Privateeres were no ways concerned in the said Barque when she was taken by **Capt. Mosely** for both the certaine and uncertaine time that **Peter**[1] & his Company had hired her for, was expired about eight or nine dayes before she was taken: and that your Petitioner was upon his voyage towards Boston and was come on this side the Bay of Fundy: and intended to leave the privateers: and to come home with all speed: And your Poore petitioner further sheweth that he tooke in some goods on freight at cape (?)ables which did amount to the vallue of twenty pounds or thereabouts for the account of some poore fishermen there: which goods and all taken away and made prize of by vertue of the afforesaid Condemnation: And your poore petitioner left lyable to make satisfaction to the owners thereof: And further that your Petitioner and **Edward** ---- (?) put into the said Barque a cargo amounting to the sume of one hundred and twelve pounds for to traid with: and Convenanted (?) with the privateers that they should have one halfe part of the bare profitt: and your petitioner and his mate to have the other halfe: the principle being first paid out; at their arivall at Boston. Your Petitioner therefore humbly requests the favor of this honoured Court that they wll please to Consider this poore and miserable and ruined Condition and that they will please to consider of some way for his releife: that if it may be his vessell may be returned to him or goods or both as they in their prudence shall judge most meet so shall he be ever engaged to pray on —

[1] Peter Rodriguez or Rodrigo, the pirate.

1812

ADDENDUM

1813

Addendum:

In this addendum (and corrigendum combined), the following items correspond to preceding sections:

(1) Ancestral Roll Additions for 1815-17, to Ancestral Roll on pages 34-99;

(2) St:1818-41 to Stewart Family Group, St:101-231;

(3) Al:1825-45 to McAlester-McMaster Family Group, Al:233-290;

(4) Sa:1846-53 to Sarles Family Group, Sa:302-399;

(5) Sh:1851-62 to Sharrard Family Group, Sh:401-508;

(6) Be:1863-66 to Bentley Family Group, Be:1030-1734;

(7) Ba:1867-78 to Badg(e)ro(w) Family Groupings, Ba: and Bd:509-713;

(8) Mi:Gj:1879-81 to Miltzow and Gjer(d)e Family Groups, 80, 84, 85, 715-871;

(9) Os:1882 to Osmundsdtr-Knutson Family Group, Os:872-955; and

(10) Appendix B Addition for 1883-4 to Appendix B on 964-989.

(11) Acknowledgements, 1885

(12) Ralph J. Stewart, In Memoriam, 1886

Addendum:

ANCESTRAL ROLL, ADDITIONS

Ancestral classification of the following persons is based upon evidence presented in the Ancestral Roll, the Bentley and Shippee Family Groups, and in the Addendum.

IV.4. Almira Hannah Bentley, b 1833, or March 1834, or Feb. 9, 1836; d 12.11.1922, ae. 88 y 9 mos, Goderich, bur Colburne Cem, Huron Co., ON; m-1 on 9.17.1850, Pickering (ON), John Sarles; m-2 on 1.17.1861, Ashburn (ON), James Winmill; R.25., R.32., R.33., R.35., R.85; Be5.; Be7., Be10.C., Be11., Be196.B., Be425.

V.7. Miron Bentley, b ca 1798/9, U.S.A., m 1.7.1823, Markham (ON), d 1.19.1844, ae. 45 y, bur Brougham, ON; R.25., R.57., R.80., R.84; Be196.B.; Ba.S.84; Be182, fn.; Be11., Be12.A., Be17.

V.8. Hannah Badgerow, b 11.22.1802, U.S.A., d 1.10.1885, ae. 82 y 19 d, bur Brougham, ON; R.25., R.57., R.72., R.84.; Be196.B.; Be10.F.

VI.13. Reuben Bentley, b ca 1773/4; R.80., R.81., R.82; Be15.E., Be13.A.

VI.14. Polly (unk.), b ca 1775/6; R.80.; Be13.A.

VI.15. Martinas Badgerow, b U.S.A.; b ca 1779; d 8.23.1853, ae. 74 y in Markham, ON (near Thornhill); R.25., R.70., R.71., R.72.; see addendum (Ba:).

VI.16. Margaret (unk.), b "U.S.A.," 88 y old in 1861, Markham Twp, York Co., ON; R.68., R.70.; Margaret Sager ("Segar"-?; "**Sargier**"-?); see addendum (Ba:) (theoretical).

VII.25. Samuel Bentl(e)y, Sr., "a steady Loyalist during the American War," b January 4, 1746, Exeter (RI); d 18--; R.81., R.82.; Be21.B., Be15.E., Be34.B.3., Be200.

VII.26. (unk.)

VII.27. (unk.)

VII.28. (unk.)

VII.29. Francis (?) Badgerow; Rev. War Patriot; NY; circumstantial evidence (see Ba: family group) (theoretical).

VII.30. (unk.) Gordon (?); hypothetical (see Ba: family group).

VII.31. (unk.) Sager (?); circumstantial evidence (see Ba: family group).

VII.32. (unk.)

VIII.49. Benjamin Bentl(e)y, b July 5, 1714, d March 15, 179-; Be111., Be21B., Be34.B.3., Be200., Be208., Be266.; Sp10., Sp18.

VIII.50. Sarah Shippee, d from smallpox between 12.16.1760 and 1.28.1761, Exeter (RI); Be21.B., Be266., Be267.; Sp10., Sp14., Sp18., Sp19.; Be254., Be255.

VIII.51 (unk.)

VIII.57. (unk.)

VIII.59. (unk.) Gordon (?)

VIII.60. (unk.)

VIII.61. (unk.) Sager (?)

VIII.62. (unk.)

IX.97. Thomas Bentl(e)y, b June 19, 1685; d 1778, ae. 92 y, **Will** proved April 15, 1778, Exeter (RI); Be111., Be200., Be201., Be208., Be260.; Be32F.

IX.98. Elizabeth Chamberl(a)in ("Chamberland"), m June 6 (1706), Kingstowne, Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, New England; assumed to be the "Elizabeth" who made her mark as wife of Thomas Bentley on a deed dated February 17, 1718/19, Kingstown (rec. in North Kingstown, RI); Be32F., Be260.

IX.99. Samuel Shippee, d 1740, East Greenwich (RI); Sp8., Sp12., Sp14., Sp16., Sp18., Sp9.; Be267., Be268., Be269.; Sp36C.

IX.100. Ann(e) Li(t)chfield, b Aug. 18, 1678, Dorchester; d 1752; m December 29, 1702, East Greenwich, RI; Sp9., Sp10., Sp11., Sp12., Sp14., Sp15., Sp16., Sp18., Sp19., Sp33K., Sp36C.; Be267., Be268., Be269.

X.193. William Bentl(e)y, b Amp(t)hill, Bedfordshire, England; Christened September 13, 1640, Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England; lived in Narragansett Country, The Kings Province, The Southern Part of New England, now located in the State of Rhode Island, as one of the inhabitants whose names appear on the petition to King Charles II, dated July 29, 1679; carried chains for survey of lands of Greenwich in Narragansett Country according to pay record of November 9, 1678; his son William, b July (?) 8, 1677; Be111., Be162A., Be162B., Be172., Be201., Be202., Be205A,B. (may be same "William Bently" whose name appears on the pay record of August 20, 1675, as Pvt. in King Philip's War in Narragansett, Be203.). He d *ae.* 83 y 11 d (Be111.); note discrepancy.

X.194. Sarah (unk.), d December 28, 1731; associated in some way with "Mary Austen Born ye year 1670;" testified on August 1, 1718, that Samuel Eldred, John's father, dwelled 50 years before (1668-?) on land where John was living in 1718, and that Samuel Eldred's

was so situated that the Ancient Pequot Path also called the New London Road went to the Eastward of the house; Be111., Be201., Be150; but see pp. 1139 and 1536.

X.195. (unk.) Chamberlain (?)

X.197. David Shippee, lived in East Greenwich (RI), 1697; Sp1., Sp8., Sp16.

X.198. Margaret Scranton, of Prudence Island, m August 15, 1664, Warwick (RI); Sp1., Sp16.

X.199. Thomas Lichfield, Sp10., Sp15., Sp52.A.; bigamist (?).

X.200. Mary, Turkish-pirate captive, slave, Algiers; d 1703, Dorchester (MA) (see chronology); Sp10., Sp15., Sp16., Sp17., Sp22., Sp30., Sp33K., Sp36., Sp44. (p. 1757), Sp52.

XI.385. John Bentl(e)y (?), Christened November 5, 1608, Elstow, Bedfordshire, England; bur March 26, 1666, Ampthill; Be162A., B., Be172.

XI.386. Mary Betts (?), m October 3, 1630, Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England; Be162A,B., Be172.

XI.387.

XI.389.

XI.391.

XI.393. (unk.) Shippee (?)

XI.394. (unk.)

XI.395. Thomas Scranton, bought a house and lot in Warwick (RI), November 1657; Sp1., Sp16., Be151.

XI.396. Mary (unk.), Sp1.

XI.397. (unk.) Lichfield (?)

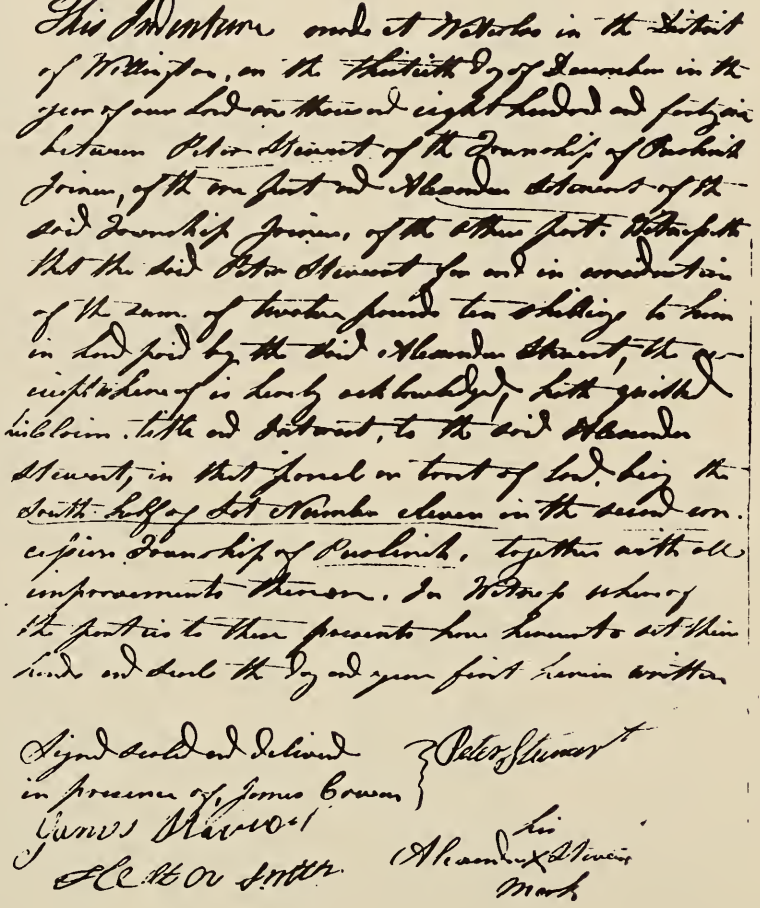
XI.398. (unk.)

XI.399. (unk.) (no hypothesis)

XI.400. (unk.)

XII.769. William Bentl(e)y (?), Be162A., Be162B.; believed to be the grandfather of both William Bentl(e)y X.193., English-American progenitor, and John Bunyan, English preacher and author of **Pilgrim's Progress**.

XII.770. Mary Goodwin (?), m May 18/20, 1601, St. Paul's church, Bedford, Bedfordshire, England; bur July 1, 1632; Be162A., Be162B.



This Indenture made at Waterloo in the District of Wellington, on the thirtieth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty six between Peter Stewart of the Township of Puslinch Joiner, of the one part and Alexander Stewart of the said Township Joiner, of the other part. Witnesseth that the said Peter Stewart for and in consideration of the sum of twelve pounds ten shillings to him in hand paid by the said Alexander Stewart, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath quitted his claim, title and interest, to the said Alexander Stewart, in that parcel or tract of land, being the South half of Lot Number eleven in the second concession Township of Puslinch, together with all improvements thereon. In Witness whereof the parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first herein written

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of, James Cowan } Peter Stewart
James Stewart
Hector Smith
Alexander his X Stewart mark

Wellington District to wit } James Stewart and Hector Smith both of the Township of Puslinch farmers come before me and made oath that the saw the within agreement duly executed —

James Stewart
Hector Smith

Sworn before me at Waterloo December 30th 1846 }

James Cowan J.P.

The mark and signatures of three Stewart brothers, sons of the Progenitor of the Stewart Family Group, JOHN STEWART, **St:A.**, are identified as those made on December 30 and/or 31, 1846, by James Stewart (**St:AA.**), Peter Stewart (**St:AB.**), and Alexander Stewart (**St:AC.**), of Puslinch Twp, Wellington (District then, County now of Ontario, Canada). See St: Reference: W.62., p. 229.

STEWART

Correspondence

St:AAIA. James Clifford Stewart d 8.18.1976.

St:AAIb. Edna **Pearl** Stewart (Mrs. R. H. Anderson), **corresponding cousin** (letter of 2.3.1976), underwent heart surgery to receive a pacemaker in 12.1975. Her 1977 address was Apt. 8, 2135 Halifax St., Regina, SK (S4P 1V1). Her mother Edith Mabel (MacKenzie) Stewart Heron d 3.18.1972 (11.18.1972—? W.3.).

St:AAIc. Mabel Gertrude "Gertie" Stewart (Mrs. J. Davis) d 7.13.1973.

St:ABCbA. Stewart Bakken and his wife were residing at 222-20th Ave. North, Fargo, ND (58102) (1978).

Long Beach Interview

St:ABCFb. Flora Marie Stewart and husband Jack Brown visited her uncle Ralph J. Stewart and cousin Cameron R. Stewart in Long Beach, CA, February 14, 1982. During their visit it was learned that the name of their son Peter had been inadvertently omitted from the genealogy of the Stewart, Sarles, Sharrard, Bentley, and Badgerow families. The addition is made here in the Stewart section of the Addendum. Peter is their second child.

Peter has been farming in partnership on the old Stewart home-place which he inherited. Peter's father Jack Brown, b three miles north of the Stewart farm to James Graham Brown and Ethel Maria Van Camp, in 1980, was recognized as the ND farmer with the highest tonnage of sugarbeets grown in the Red River Valley.

St:ABCFbB. Peter James Brown, b 3.30.1951, Drayton, ND; m 2.1.1975, Drayton, ND, Bonita Catherine Woinerowicz, b 3.26.1951, Drayton, ND; their CH:

ABCFbBA. James Nathaniel Brown, b 1.20.1977, Grafton, ND.

ABCFbBb. Nicole Marie Brown, b 9.25.1978, Grafton, ND.

Stewart Emigrants from Scotland

Names of ancestor JOHN STEWART (**St:A.**), Scottish emigrant, and some of his descendants appear in Donald Whyte's **A Dictionary of Scottish Emigrants to the U.S.A.**, published in 1972 by the Magna Carta Book Co., Baltimore, MD.

The editor commented in the introduction that indexing commenced in 1961. He began to build for the Scottish Genealogy Society the nucleus of a library, and to record on 6" x 4" cards the names of emigrants, together with such genealogical notes as could be obtained.

D. Whyte wrote:

> It was obvious that many thousands of Scots had emigrated to the United States of America and that few passenger lists survived. Only

the assiduous collection of names from widely scattered sources could fill part of the great gap in the knowledge of emigrants. As compulsory registration of births, marriages and deaths began in Scotland in 1855, it was decided to limit the recording of emigrants to previous years.

By circular letter and publicity through the medium of **The Scottish Genealogist**, many descendants of emigrants became interested in the work and entered into correspondence with the editor, supplying much information not otherwise available. Entries compiled from this source are referenced **D.C.** (Dictionary Correspondence) with the date of communication, and all letters have been filed for reference . . .

The bibliography will show that a cross-secion of Scottish historical and genealogical literature (98 sources) has been combed for references to emigrants, and much of the work was conducted in the National Library of Scotland, where the editor received every consideration from the librarian and staff. Those emigrants who are recorded in this book form only a small number of an indeterminate total, and a further course of reading would doubtless produce material for supplementary volumes. Continuing the work, however, presents problems for the present editor, whose labours as a professional genealogist and record searcher leave little time for the compilation of data relating to emigrants.

Donald Whyte, Kirkliston, West Lothian, adds:

With place-names, the editor has sometimes been unable to give parish or county and has had to be satisfied with area names, such as Strathspey and Galloway. Where crofts and farms cannot readily be found, it is worth noting that records of genealogical content are generally related to the parish, and this can usually be identified from the various gazetteers. The most useful of these is, in our opinion, F.H. Groome's **Ordnance Gazetteer of Scotland**, Edinburgh, 1901, which gives historical information. W. & A.K. Johnston's **Gazetteer of Scotland**, Edinburgh, 1937, and Bartholemew's **Survey Gazetteer of the British Isles** (various editions), which has excellent maps, may be more readily obtained. Another **Atlas of Scotland**, compiled by David E. Gardner, Derek Harland and Frank Smith, was published at Salt Lake City, Utah, in 1962. It is inexpensive and most useful for locating parishes and place-names.

Relevant entries follow; see corrections.

5937. STEWART, John, 1796 - 1858. From Perthshire. Son of James S. To New York, 1833, later to Puslinch Township, Wellington County, Ontario. Farmer. M. **Jean or Jane McLean** (q.v.); with issue: (1) James (q.v.); (2) **Peter** (q.v.); (3) Alexander (q.v.); (4) Elizabeth (q.v.); (5) Jean; (6) John (D.C., 23 Apr., 1967).

4413. McLean, Jane or Jean, 1802 - 19 July, 1874. Probably from Perthshire. Settled New York, 1833, later Puslinch Township, Wellington County, Ontario. M. **John Stewart** (p.v.) (D.C., 23 Apr., 1967).

5902. STEWART, James, born ca. 1824. From Perthshire. Son of John S. (q.v.) and Jane McLean (q.v.). To New York State, 1833, later to Puslinch Township, Wellington County, Ontario. Farmer. M. Elizabeth Sinclair (q.v.) with issue: (1) Catherine; (2) John; (3) Jane; (4) Mary; (5) Alexander; (6) Elizabeth; (7) James; (8) Archibald; (9) Peter (D.C., 23 Apr., 1967).

5966. STEWART, Peter, 1825 - 1899. From Perthshire. Son of **John S.** (q.v.) and **Jane McLean** (q.v.). To New York, 1833, later to Puslinch Township, Wellington County, Ontario. Moved to Drayton, North Dakota. Farmer. M. **Flora McMaster** (q.v.) with issue: (1) Mary; (2) Jane; (3) John C.; (4) Catherine Cook; (5) Lillie; (6) Euphemia; (7) Margaret; (8) Archibald; (9) Malcolm; (10) James (D.C., 23 Apr., 1967).

5828. STEWART, Alexander, 1827 - 1874. From Perthshire. Son of John S. (q.v.) and Jane McLean (q.v.). To New York, 1833, later to Puslinch Township, Wellington County, Ontario. Farmer. New Church Methodist. M. Jean McCaig, from Cape Breton, with issue: (1) Mary; (2) John; (3) Donald; (4) Alexander; (5) Hector (D.C., 23 Apr., 1967).

5879. STEWART, Elizabeth, born ca. 1830. From Perthshire. Daughter of John S. (q.v.) and Jane McLean (q.v.). To New York, 1833, later to Wellington County, Ontario. M. Walter McMillan (q.v.) (D.C., 23 Apr., 1967).

5621. SINCLAIR, Elizabeth. Probably from Perthshire. To New York, 1833, later to Wellington County, Ontario. Wife of James Stewart, born ca. 1824 (q.v.) (D.C., 23 Apr., 1967).

5636. SINCLAIR, Margaret. Probably from Perthshire. To New York, 1833, later to Wellington County, Ontario. M. John, son of John Stewart (q.v.) and Jane McLean (q.v.) (D.C., 23 Apr., 1967).

CORRECTIONS. Since this searcher was the correspondent who supplied editor Donald Whyte with the genealogical information in a letter dated 4.23.1967, he feels that corrections of the foregoing belong here.

Entry **5937.** The Stewart family was believed to have gone to Canada in 1832 (St: ref. W.4.b.) from New York State from Scotland (W.4.). JOHN STEWART (**St:A., Anc. V.1.**) d ae. 62 y., May 24, 1858, Puslinch Twp., Wellington Co., Ontario (burial in Killean Cemetery), native of Perthshire, Scotland (W.1.). Descendants believe Dunkeld was home (no proof).

Entry **4413. JEAN McLEAN'S** origin is unknown. She was believed to have been in Canada in 1832 (W.4.b.).

Entry **5902.** James Stewart died ae. 74 y., May 30, 1895, Underwood, Bruce Co., Ontario, Canada (W.53.b.), b ca 1820/1. His sister Jean was b in

Canada ca. 1835 (W.49.A.), and his sister Elizabeth (Betsy) was b in Scotland ca. 1828-30 (W.49.A.,F.). James was bur. in the Cote d' Ore Cemetery near Underwood, ON.

Entry **5966.** PETER STEWART (**St:AB., Anc. IV.1.**) was b 1.12.1825, Perthshire, from where he emigrated ca. 1832. He d 5.20.1899, Drayton, ND. FLORA'S birth month and year were reported in the 1900 CR as June 1875, an obvious error. Different sources offer conflicting dates. She d 6.9.1915, Drayton, ND (ae. 89 y.). They had lived in both Puslinch and Minto Twps of Wellington Co., Ontario, Canada. FLORA'S sister Catherine C. McMaster and brother Alexander McMaster were twins b 9.10.1833, Hull (in Quebec now). Their brother Malcom McMaster was b ca 1832 in Scotland (E.6., E.11.). These dates help to narrow the range for the immigration to Canada. FLORA'S father and mother were Scotch-Canadians ARCHIBALD McMASTER (**Al:aA., Anc. V.3.**) and CATHERINE COOK (**Anc. V.4.**) both natives of the Isle of Arran, Scotland. Their nine children were: (1) Euphemia, (2) FLORA, (3) Charles, (4) James, (5) Malcom, (6) Catherine Cook, (7) Alexander, (8) Mary Cook, and (9) John McMaster.

Entry **5828.** Alexander Stewart d 4.3.1874, ae. 47 y., 3 mo., bur. Mount View Cem., Galt, ON; m Jean McCaig, b Cape Breton Island, NS, d 2.28.1920 in her 89th y., bur. Mount View Cem., Galt, ON. Alexander was b in Perthshire. He was believed to have been in Canada ca. 1832.

Entry **5879.** Elizabeth (Betsy) Stewart was born ca. 1830, Perthshire. She was believed to have been in Canada ca. 1832. Her husband Walter McMillan was b 1830, Argyleshire, Scotland. He sailed on the vessel "Arthur" to the Bay of Chaleurs in 1844, ran away, and eventually (1856) went to Puslinch. After their marriage, they settled in Minto Twp., Wellington Co., Ontario, where some of their descendants are said to be living.

Entry **5621.** Elizabeth Sinclair was believed to have been b ca 1831, Glenelg, Invernesshire, Scotland. She d 10.10.1909, ae. 78 y. (W.53.b.). She was said to have left Scotland at the age of 16 y. (W.4.b.). Her husband James Stewart was b ca. 1820/21, Perthshire.

Entry **5636.** Margaret Sinclair, sister of Elizabeth Sinclair (Entry **5621.**), was said to have been born ca. 1844, Glenelg, Invernesshire, dtr of Alexander and Catherine (McLennan) Sinclair, immigrants in 1844 (W.51.) to Canada. She and her husband John Stewart, son of JOHN, b Waterloo Co., ON, ca 1837, lived in Puslinch Twp., Wellington Co., ON, before moving to Bottineau Co. (ND), 6.15.1888 (W.51.).

Stewart Corrigendum

Elizabeth (Stewart) McMillan, **St:Ad.**, in 1881. Revision of classification for two of her offspring. Ref: **1881 CR**, Ontario, Canada; Wellington Co., Minto Twp-B1, pp 6-7, Family 26; MFR C-13259, PAC, Ottawa.

Walter McMillan ("McMillian"), ae 50 y, b Scotland, C Pres rel, Scotch origin, farmer, and wife Elizabeth (St:Ad.), ae 50, b Scotland, had these 4 CH living in their household in 1881:

Classification		
Revised	Old	
AdE.	AdF.	Alexander McMillan, 18 y, b ON.
Adf.	Ade.	Jane McMillan, 16 y, b ON (Jean, Jennie).
Adg.	Adg.	Sarah McMillan, 13 y, b ON.
AdH.	AdH.	Dugal McMillan, 10 y (Dugald W.).

Sarah (Sarles) Stewart **ae.** 50 years.

Sarah E. (Sarles) and John C. Stewart of Drayton.

The Stewarts of Drayton

First-cousin Charles H. Stewart (**St:ABCCA., Be:FDDDABecCA.**), Herbert's son, of Grafton, ND, submitted the following biography of his Stewart grandparents to the Walsh County Historical Society. In 1976, the Society published the biography in its two-volume compilation entitled **Walsh Heritage**, a story of Walsh County and its pioneers, Walsh County, North Dakota. The "J.C. Stewart" biography appears in Volume 1, page 252.

John C. Stewart, a Walsh County pioneer, was born in 1857 at Harriston, Ont., and died in 1948 at Drayton. When he moved to Walsh County he changed his name by adding a middle initial because his mail was occasionally being misrouted to a John Stewart at Gilby. He was known as J.C. Stewart and signed his name in such a manner.

He married Sarah Sarles of Whitby, Ont., in 1885. They were married at Hamilton where she arrived from Canada by train. They had six children, Peter James, who died in infancy; Elmira (Mrs. George E. Bakken), Fargo, deceased; Herbert Alexander, Drayton, a farmer; James Buchanan who homesteaded and lived near Simpson, Sask., deceased; Ralph James, [1] an insurance salesman of New Ulm, Minn.; and Peter Dewey, who farmed near Drayton, deceased.

His parents immigrated to the U. S. from Scotland. They came to New York and then went north to Canada. They began farming in western Canada near Elora, Ont.[2] Young John worked as a sailor on the Great Lakes, among other things, before coming south into North Dakota to farm. He started farming in Alma Township, Cavalier County, about 1882.

Early and late killing frosts and wild geese that ate the crops prompted him to move to Walsh County near Herrick, a railroad siding, in 1891. Killing frosts weren't the only factors for moving from western Cavalier County. Getting the grain to market with oxen was a slow process also, since the nearest loading station was at Hamilton, far to the east. One cold, early winter when hauling cheap wheat to Hamilton it took the proceeds from the first load to buy a dogskin coat that would make it possible to survive the succeeding trips.

Later his parents joined him in Walsh County.

He bought grain for the Peavy Elevator Company at Herrick and in 1900 he bought the elevator. He also continued to farm while buying grain. In the beginning Herrick was named New St. Andrews

[1] Ralph James should be Ralph John, baptized John Ralph.

[2] His paternal grandparents and their children immigrated to the U.S. from Scotland. They came to New York and then went north to Canada. His maternal grandparents and their children immigrated to Canada from Scotland. His parents farmed near Galt in Puslinch Twp., Wellington Co., Ontario, and near Harriston and Palmerston in Minto Twp., Wellington Co., Ontario, before coming to Dakota Territory. Killean Cem. in Puslinch Twp. is the burial place of his grandparents. This searcher questions the farming location as "Elora, Ont." (?).

(old St. Andrews was a boat landing to the east on the Red River), later its name was changed to Elora when a post office was established. When rural mail service eliminated many small post offices the railroad changed the name to Herrick.

He served on the school board of District No. 31 for about 30 years and a like number on the township board. He was the first chairman of the Walsh County Agricultural Adjustment Administration at Park River (now known as the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service).

Many neighbors came to him for advice and, sometimes, financial help. One spring a neighbor borrowed $50 from J.C. and promptly lost it while loading a train car of grain. Luckily it was recovered by painstakingly stroking the surface of the grain in the car with a shingle until it was found.

Courage, faith, and determination were prime attributes of the pioneers.

The photograph of "Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Stewart" was taken on June 18, 1935, the day of their Golden Wedding Anniversary, at their farm home near Drayton, ND, by their niece Annie Holmes (Stewart) Miller (**St:ABIa.**). Their grandson standing behind the screen door is none other than this searcher, Cameron Ralph Stewart (**St:ABCEA.**). See page **148**.

The Camerons

St:ABdA., Al:aAbdA. John Stewart Cameron, writer.

Stephen Michael Cameron (**St:ABdBEB., Al:aAbdBEB.**) (D.D.S. and U. S. Army Captain, 1978), son of John S. and grandson of Peter **Scott** Cameron, submitted the following family history (**verbatim**, with minimal corrections) entitled "The Cameron Clan" written by Stephen's great-uncle John **Stewart** Cameron (**St:ABdA., Al:aAbdA.**) (lawyer), b 1881, d 1960. The footnotes for the identification and classification of the selected descendants of ancestors JOHN STEWART (**St:A.**) (anc. **V.1.**) and FLORA (McALESTER) McMASTER (**AL:a.**) (anc. **VI.6.**) are suppled by this descendant (**St:ABCEA., Al:aAbCEA.**), classifier, and searcher, who was sent a copy of the 19-page typewritten manuscript on November 8, 1978, from Cousin Stephen M. Cameron.

The Cameron Clan

by

John Stewart Cameron

As a youngster, bred on the Dakota prairie, I often wondered about our ancestry, not that ancestry is important or even significant. It isn't. Nevertheless, it piqued my curiosity. **Grandmother**

STEWART,[1] who spoke with a peculiar accent, explained to us children that "we spoke the two talks" meaning Gaelic and English, thus revealing the fact that our ancestors were highland Scots. Further prodding and questioning in our juvenile way brought out the possiblity that on the **Stewart side** we might have some **royal blood** in our veins — just a trace, since he conjectured "royalty" is greatly diluted. **All we know is that Grandfather STEWART**[2] **came from Dunkeld in Perthshire, Scotland, and the family history, such as it is, indicates that once upon a time an estate of royal origin existed and that remote ancestry participated in it.** That is the shadowy record passed on by the older members of the family, that is, Brother Scott[3] and myself.[4] The younger members have an Irish ancestry on their mother's side, if not royal in blood, was royal in refinement, taste and culture — the McKees were all musicians.

Grandfather STEWART also "spoke the two talks." I am told that Gaelic is an expressive language and **Grandmother STEWART** chose to use that language, and often in prayer.

Dear old **Grandmother** was the conscience as well as the counselor for all the family. She was a fundamentalist if ever there was one, and she practiced what she preached. I remember her long and unctuous prayers, always in Gaelic and not understood by our English trained ears; but there was expression there, something like music without words. If prayer could save the world, she did her share. She told us she prayed in Gaelic because she felt closer to God in that language. Doubtless she was. No one can deny her rightful place among the saints.

However, not all of our ancestors were as saintly as **Grandmother STEWART**. I was told that Gaelic was equally expressive when profanity was in order.

If I remember the information correctly, **Grandfather Cameron was twenty-seven years old when he arrived in Eastern Ontario from Crief, in Perthshire, Scotland, where he was born and bred in the beautiful lake district made famous by Sir Walter Scott when he wrote:**

'The stag at ease had drunk his fill
Where danced the moon on Monan's hill.'

I was told that he could speak no English when he came to America. He was about sixty-five when I first met him. I was a small boy, and shy. He was diffident. I well remember the meeting. I remember how his shaggy eyebrows worked up and down. It gave him a dower and sinister aspect. He was, in fact, only appraising

[1] Mrs. PETER (FLORA McMASTER) STEWART (**Al:aAb.**), d 1915, ND.

[2] PETER STEWART (**St:AB.**) (anc. **IV.1.**), d 1899, Drayton, ND.

[3] Peter **Scott** Cameron (**St:ABdB., Al:aAbdB.**), b 1883, d 1948.

[4] John **Stewart** Cameron (**St:ABdA., Al:aAbdA.**), b 1881, d 1960.

his newly arrived grandchildren. I was told in later years that Grandfather had his convivial side. His convivial friends called him 'Blathering Jock,' which is our version of 'Noisy John.'

Grandmother Cameron[1] was a tall spare woman of few words. Her conversation seemd to be limited to inquiries as though language should be used sparingly. **She was born in Eastern Ontario and her parents, the MacFarlanes, came from Callander, Perthshire, Scotland.**

Grandmother Stewart, I should have mentioned earlier, **came from the Isle of Arran, off the west coast of Scotland, and her maiden name was McMaster.**[2]

These diffident Highlanders were not disposed to romance, for romance sake, at any rate. They were hard-working pioneers who dug their modest fortunes out of the soil and out of the timber which was a barrier to the great western movement of those days. They had their romantic side, nevertheless. Ralph Connor found it and portrayed it in "The Man From Glengarry" and I have been told that he had in mind some of our kinsmen in the portrayal of his hard fighting characters.

Our immediate ancestors had an admiration for national heroism as well as a strong devotion to their ancestral home in Scotland. I remember my father reading aloud to us children, and pridefully, of the unbelievable deeds of valor and heroism that relieved Scotland from vassalism. There was **Wallace**, then **Bruce** who achieved almost the impossible and restored Scotland to rightful heritage after the battle of Bannockburn. These, however, were the deeds of remote kinsmen. The only phase of Scottish history handed down to us was the tradition — a folk tale. Among them were the clans of forthright Highlanders who bore the names of Cameron, Stewart, McMaster and MacFarlane, yes and McKee, who had migrated to Ireland somewhere along the line.

As a curious youngster, I often prodded my father for more details of ancestral history in the hope that a hero might be brought forth. The efforts were fruitless. I was told in all sincerity, but somewhat evasively, that investigation might disclose a cattle rustler or a distiller of illicit joy. We might even find ourselves related to **Rob Roy**, whose name was **McGregor**, an outlaw of historic fame. Incidentally, we have McGregor blood in our veins. However, any McGregor I have known seemed to be highly respectable, even pious.

Without being facetious, it might be worth a few lines to examine our name history. Our family name, Cameron, and all the names that occur in the family, are the product of the Scottish clan system.

[1] Anna McFarlane

[2] FLORA McMASTER (**Al:aAb., anc. IV.2.**).

The word "clan" means children. All children born in the clan are members of it and bear its name. The clan name ultimately became the family name.

The clan was governed by a chief who may have been named and acquired authority by inheritance from his father as the eldest son, or he may have been elected chief by the clan, or again, he may have been appointed by the king.

It was a remarkably simple and efficient form of social organization. Each clan lived within certain territorial limitations. Each had its hailing cry, crest and coat of arms. Most distinctive of all, each had its tartan with distinguishing pattern, colorful and beautiful. As soldiers, the tartan and plaid was their uniform and a material part of their equipment since the plaid was their blanket. It might also conceal a weapon.

The clan system was a feudal form of government with its roots deep in the dark ages. It had this characteristic superior to the baronical system of England — it did not divide the population into social classes. The clansman lived and died on his merits and only his chieftain was his superior.

The Scottish clan system bears a strong resemblance to our American Indian tribal system. Simplicity seems to be the prevailing mood. Marriage, for instance, was accomplished by a man and a woman accepting each other as man and wife in the presence of a witness. I wonder if the simple mode of life common to those two social groups living so far apart and under completely different conditions did not bespeak their soundness.

Be that as it may, both social groups were broken up by stronger authorities that called themselves Democracies. Only the sentiment survives. The clan system passed into history and we retain only the name.

The Cameron clan, so historians tell us, was aboriginal. There are traditions, probably based on half truths, and folklore that go along with the name. One story is that the clan was founded by one **Dougal** who married a sister of **Banquo** of **McBeth** fame. That would take us back to the 13th century, if I remember my history correctly. In any event, we must not assume too high a degree of elegance in the origin of the clan if we dare to look to derivatives. 'Cameron' is derived from two Gaelic words which mean wry nose. I remember having been told this simple, if not humiliating truth, by an ancient Gaelic, **Grand Uncle James McMaster.**[1] He said little but he had a gleam in his eye. I since checked the record and the information is correct.

However, what's in a name? Merely, in our case, that some crooked-nosed ancestor was enterprising and had the gumption enough to set up a cave of his own. He then proceeded to make history under the name Cameron.

[1]James McMaster, **Al:aAD.**

Addendum: St: Al:

PETER CAMERON

This is the story of **Peter Cameron**. His story needs recording because he contributed much to the society in which he lived. Peter was a man of action, moreover, he was a man of conviction, hence the record.

Peter was born near Brucefield, Huron County, Ontario, on May 9, 1851. That was frontier country then. His pioneering parents had moved west with the tide of migration. The shore of Lake Huron stopped them. Like a vast multitude of their kind they pushed on for richer and better land and twenty years later Peter, with his parents and their now grown family, turned north and whittled out a new home in Bruce County, Ontario.

Pioneering had its drawbacks, among which was lack of opportunity for formal education. But, it had its compensation, namely, time for observation and thought. The pioneer in motion was always discovering something new. He was constantly meeting strong resistance and constantly at his wits end to find a solution. As a rule he carried on until he found the solution, thus he was educated by experience.

Peter's formal education was limited. True, they had schools and school masters, but those were the days of the hickory stick, so well recorded in fiction. A rudimentary knowledge of the three R's was about all that could be expected. Mental forthrightness and alertness had to be relied upon to produce the educated man of his day.

This young pioneer, like thousands of others in his day, shouldered his ax and proceeded to conquer the wilderness. He would accumulate his education along the way. In later years I often wondered how it was accomplished. I envied his vocabulary and his correct and often eloquent use of language. He somehow absorbed language picked up and put together by his comprehending mind.

Born and riased in the timber, as a youth he did the things a frontiersman had to do. To make a home and produce a livelihood, the timber had to be cleared the stumps uprooted. The wild and resisting land had to be subdued for agriculture. It had to be done the hard way. A sharp ax and a yoke of oxen, well managed, were the tools.

Peter believed that success is measured by the ability and determination to do well whatever comes to hand, no matter how humble, and without conceit, he had faith in his own ability. He was an artist with an ax. He could make anything from a toothpick to household furniture with that humble tool.

Peter assumed responsibility early. He proceeded into the forest with an ax in hand and a yoke of docile but stubborn oxen by his side to do his bidding.

Peter was a handsome giant of a man. He was five feet eleven inches tall and weighed about two hundred pounds. He had sharp blue eyes and a most expressive brow that was apt to reveal his state of mind. He had stubborn black hair that turned gray prematurely. He was exceedingly strong and active and his greatest strength was in his powerful arms and shoulders.

In the days of his youth the field crops were harvested with a cradle. We have progressed so far with mechanical devices in the past two generations that the average person of today would not recognize a cradle if he saw one. It is now a museum piece. However, it was the forerunner of the mechanical reaper and later the mechanical binder. It was a scythe with fingers that caught the falling grain. Peter was an expert cradler and won many contests.

Perhaps his success in those contests had something to do with stimulating a zest for more accomplishments. Who knows? It turned out, nevertheless, that his whole life was a contest and not always to win. Incidentally, "gumption" was one of his favorite words, and he did not hesitate to judge his neighbors by the amount of gumption they seemed to possess.

When Peter was twenty years old, his family moved north to Bruce County, Ontario. This was new country and the timber clearing and pioneering started all over again.

From the age of twenty to his thirtieth year little is to be said of his activities. In winter he worked in lumber camps and shingle mills. I vaguely remember his telling us of the rough manners of the lumber camps. I believe that in his late twenties he managed a lumber camp.

Today, we look back upon that pioneering period as romantic. Of course, every phase of life and every period has its romance, but to the men and women of that day it was a period of grief and hardship. It was a struggle against resisting nature, moreover it was the first step in the evolution of modern industry. Isolated, it was a way of life conducive to independent thinking. The Golden Rule was the dominating law. A deep religious atmosphere prevailed which was sincere if not dogmatic.

Peter was an exponent of this religion. He was a fundamental Baptist. In the main this was a hell-and-damnation religion, dominated by fear. It was, on the other hand, stimulated by ignorance. An active conscience was a prime factor. Those people were Puritans by another name. They were pilgrims in another place.

In the spring of 1880, **Peter Cameron** and **Catherine Stewart**[1] were married. Nothing is known of their meeting and courtship. Peter

[1] Peter Cameron m May 6, 1880, Catherine Cook Stewart (**St:ABd., Al:aAbd.**).

was thirty years old and Catherine was twenty. Marriage as always is a sharp bend in the road. They must set up a new establishment. The question was, "Where?" Horace Greeley's dictum, namely "Go West, Young Man," was still in force. So the newlyweds set out for the West.

There was a vast untouched empire of farm land in the Canadian prairies: Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta. On the United States side of the international boundary line was the Red River Valley and a vast expanse to the west in Dakota Territory.

In the late 1870's; the Canadian Pacific Railroad had been built as far west as Winnipeg and south from Winnipeg to Emerson. Up to then Winnipeg had been little more than an Indian trading post called Fort Gary. Who would believe that within a decade a beautiful and prosperous city would loom out of the wilderness?

Peter had his eye on Manitoba. Most of the land in that territory was rich for agriculture. The vast rolling miles needed only the delving — no trees, no stumps, no obstacle to agricultural progress. It was thought to be the last of the first class farm land. There was a land rush in Manitoba. All west of Manitoba was Indian and buffalo territory.

The newlyweds joined the Manitoba pilgrimage. They arrived in Winnipeg in June 1880. The plan was to homestead a quarter section in Manitoba, if possible. They soon discovered that the best land had been taken up the previous year. They were at the tail end of the land rush. They were too late. The next best prospect seemed to be on the Dakota side. So, notwithstanding forfeiture of British citizenship, Peter proceeded to explore the Red River Valley on the Dakota side. This time he was almost too late; however, immigration in Dakota was moving from the south to the north and the north tier of counties had not been taken up.

Peter promptly declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States and filed on the Northwest quarter of Section Eight. The township and range I have forgotten, but it was almost in the center of Pembina County. That is the spot around which Peter's life and that of his family revolved.

When Peter made his deal with destiny and settled on the Northwest Quarter of Section Eight, he had nothing to combat the elements and subdue nature but his two skillful hands and a very few dollars. The virgin prairie had to be converted into a farm. It was twenty-five miles from Pembina, the nearest town. How he proceeded to equip himself for the task is a matter of conjecture. However, his wits were nimble and his arms were strong. He started his project, as we might say today, by buying a yoke of young oxen, a Red River cart, a breaking plow and a supply of staple groceries and a few sticks of lumber to frame a sod shack and the game was on.

The first shovelful of dirt turned was for a well. Water was flowing at fourteen feet and most of the work was done in one afternoon.

Shortly after arriving, Father and Mother found an acquaintance from Ontario. His name was Collin Campbell. His homestead was about six miles away and he had homesteaded a year earlier. He was a friend and neighbor to the end. Campbell was a carpenter of sorts. He had tools to do with and he and Peter proceeded to frame a house better described as a shack on the northeast forty of the new home. When the time, the place and the amount of capital involved were taken into consideration, the result was a wonder. It was a one-room dwelling about fourteen feet square. The rafters were of a green poplar from the Pembina River. They were hewn and shaped with artistic skill with an ax. The first year the walls and roof were sod. As time passed, the house was improved. My earliest recollection of it is a center room with two lean-tos with the roof raised for a second story and shingled. This is my earliest and strongest recollection of home. The upstairs had a little window facing toward the east. I remember this humble spot with great affection. It calls to mind the simple and sentimental line of Longfellow:

I remember, I remember the house where I was born,
the little window where the sun came peeping in at morn.

I like to linger with those childish recollections. The structures that appeared in the years of my infancy were marvels to behold. Not that they represented capital outlay by any means. In fact, they represented no wealth at all. They represented ambition, thrift and skill. The outbuildings began to appear. They were made of hewn logs, cottonwood hauled from the Pembina River, one layed upon another and chinked with mud. The roofs were similarly made of small timber and covered with mud. Nature furnished the material. Father furnished the skill.

Father's skill did not stop at building barns. I remember quite distinctly the furniture he made for the house, mostly with an ax and a drawknife. There were chairs with rawhide bottoms, beds, cupboards and tables that were not only practical but ornate. Most of these recollections extend back to my fourth year. Little things seem to stick in one's mind. For instance, I remember when **Ira Calder**, who lived nearby, gave me a pair of pigeons. I remember how Ira and I fixed a place for them to roost and nest. If those pigeons had been as useful as they were prolific, I would have had a fortune, but I am afraid they turned out to be a liability.

By the time I was four years old, the oxen had been displaced by horses. Father bought an Esterly self-binder, first of its kind in the community. The place was being gradually stocked with domestic animals. The beginning of our cattle family is another story. In the beginning, it came near being a tragedy. That, however, is another story.

These personal skills had to do only with habitat. There was a social and political life in the offing. The spade having been delved into the soil, lo, a new phase of civilization was born, a new mode of political life was afoot that was no less forthright than the individuals who pioneered it. Father was not slow to take a part in the new activity. He, in fact, took a leading part, for within eight years after that well was dug on the Northwest Forty, he was not only a full-fledged American citizen, but a full-fledged politician. He had been elected to the Dakota Territorial Council which would be the Senate when the territory was admitted to statehood. A new phase of life was in the offing, this time political, in a broader way. There were public things to be done and Father was on the front line. Politically, he was a Democrat at first. Then he went over to the extreme left and joined the radical Populist, a political (party) that died in the middle nineties, a victim of its radical political doctrines. The Populists will receive brief mention in history. The party was, in fact, an offshoot of socialism, yet, far from socialism itself. It was a political maverick.

The Populist advocated the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio (with gold) of sixteen to one. This, the Populist contended, would redistribute wealth and take financial control from Eastern bankers whom the Populists loved to vilify. They advocated free trade and all sorts of class legislation. **William Jennings Bryan**, golden-tonged orator from Nebraska, was the bright and shining light of the party. The Populists had their heyday in the nineties.

Father was elected to the Territorial legislature in 1888. I have a hazy recollection of the campaign. It was slow in the light of present-day campaigns. There were no automobiles or telephones to shorten lines of communication. Votes had to be solicited by interview. Brief as the period for political development had been, the community had acquired or developed some sharp politicians. Then, as now, motives were both good and bad. It seems to me in the light of fifty years that debate was sharper and fiercer then than now.

As I recall the political fights in those days, then I think the candidates took their contests more seriously then they do now because political campaigns were more personal then they are now.

Pembina county had two groups of voters with motives very much apart. There was the newly arrived homesteader with ideas and newly attained political rights for which he was ready to fight. But there was an older population settled along the Pembina River in the timber. They were halfbreeds and distinctly aboriginal. They were the descendants of French hunters and trappers who had come to the Pembina River almost a century earlier to follow the buffalo. These early adventurers had married Cree and Chippeway squaws, and, incidentally, raised large families.

As a class these second and third generation halfbreeds were a lazy lot. They made a meager living cutting cord wood and by hiring out as farm hands. Illiterate and without ambition beyond the next meal, they had no concept of the value of the franchise in their hands. On the other hand, the crafty and often dishonest politician had a keen appreciation of the halfbreed vote. A vote was a vote.

Following the arrival of the homesteaders, the unscrupulous politicians proceeded to make hay. He with his coherts proceeded to form a sort of feudal dynasty with the halfbreeds as obedient serfs. This was accomplished by making small loans to the needy halfbreeds without expectation of repayment. Thereby creating a perpetual obligation to my lord politician.

Campaigning among the halfbreeds on the Pembina was more or less a farce in those days. When the voter was asked for whom he would vote for such and such an office, the answer was always the same. He would simply name the creditor politician who happened to be a candidate for the office in question.

Those were the days before registration, and repeating was not uncommon. I can remember quite well Father's indignation and sharp sarcasm when discussing the handicap. However, notwithstanding this, Father was elected to the Territorial Legislature in 1888.

Our family by that time had grown to three. **Scott** was two years younger than I, and **Gladys** was born in 1886.

That year the harvest had been unusually good. The new railroads, hungry for business, offered cheap excursions to the East, and in November, following the election, we went to Ontario. There we met our paternal grandparents. I was an impressionable child and the occasion has been well remembered. I recall the admiration, almost adoration, of those plain backwoods people, in the achievement of their eldest son, who, to their British minds had been elected to Parliament. The visit to Ontario was enjoyable but brief. Arrangements had not been made for Father's absence in Bismarck as a Legislator.

Here, we children had our introduction to our future stepmother. **Eva McKee** had been spending the winter with a sister in a nearby town. Arrangements had been made for her to be companion for our mother during Father's absence.

The records of that legislative session are only to be found in such records as escaped the burning of the State Capital. The experience was a broad education for Father, and he had the mind and ability to absorb it. I remember that he had as a roommate at his lodgings, **Roger Allen**, who later on became Governor of North Dakota. **Governor Allen** was a man of integrity and fine ability. I think that this association with Roger Allen stimulated a taste for statecraft. In

any event, Father was impressed with the political game. He learned too, of the connivance and intrigues of the railroad interests. Those were the days of **Alex McKenzie** of Alaska fame, **Jim Hill** of the Great Northern Railroad, and a dozen other financial barons who manipulated their interests through political channels to the detriment of the farmers, as Father thought. In any event, Father got initiated into the political game in a rather big way for one with so little experience. Transportation and tariff were the big issues of the day and would be for another generation.

In 1892, Father was back in politics again, this time in a state campaign as a candidate for Railroad Commissioner. The farmers and small interests were represented by the Democratic party, fused with the Populists against the Republicans representing the interests." I learned in later years that the lineup was more or less academic, but for the purpose of a political fight the arrangement was quite normal. The name calling was terrific and sincere. Those were the days of the convention when the would-be office holder could rant and rave to his heart's content. Those were the days of oratory and Father was not one of the least of these. He was nominated after a hard campaign and in November 1892, he was elected.

The commission consisted of three members and a secretary. The other two members were **Mr. Rasmusin** and **Mr. Stevens**. The Secretary was **Finley Grant**, a newspaper man from the southern part of the State. **The name is well established in our family since the youngest member was named for him.**[1]

Father's admiration for Grant was almost pathetic. Grant, the man of education and experience, was the eyes and ears for the less experienced Pembina County farmer; but I am getting ahead of my story. **Mr. E. C. D. Shortridge** was the candidate for Governor on the Fusion ticket. Father was his campaign manager. During the campaign, **Mr. Shortridge** was a guest at our house many times. On those occasions, the strategy for the campaign was planned. I can remember some of the bitterness of that campaign. Basically, then, as now, the Republicans were conservatives, but they would go a long way afield to gain their end. The Fusion ticket stood for reform according to their political standard. They were the "outs" and made glowing promises.

I remember Mr. Shortridge very well. He was a tall spare Southerner from Missouri. He wore a chin, whicker-like, Uncle Sam and gold-rimmed eyeglasses on a silk cord. In spite of campaign violence he was always dignified and calm. The opposition undertook to belittle him by circulating a report through whispering channels that candidate Shortridge had been a Confederate guerilla during the Civil War. The story was completely untrue. Governor

[1]Grant Cameron, one of three children born to Peter Cameron's second wife Eva McKee.

Shortridge never served in any organization, on account of lameness. I remember he walked with a limp. In spite of it all, the Fusion ticket won the election. North Dakota politics was headed in a new direction.

At this point I divert. Misfortune had struck in our family. In 1889, **Sister Gladys**[1] died from an infected ear and in the following year Mother[2] and infant daughter[3] died.

Father was one of those persons who grieved inwardly. The more he grieved the less he said, but he struggled on with hired help. It was a dark period in the family record and I think it had something to do with stimulating interest in outside affairs. The campaign of 1892 was the diversion.

While Father was Railroad Commissioner, Governor Shortridge appointed him as commissioner to the Chicago World's Fair by reason of which Father and Mother spent most of the summer in Chicago. During the two years in office he traveled about the country in a special train. The highlight of his office was a trip to Washington, D. C., on official business with **Finley Grant**, Secretary, and a visit with **Grover Cleveland**, President.

But during the term in office the Fusion party began to break up in the ensuing campaign and the Populist party was only a splinter party. All was lost as far as retaining office was concerned. Peter Cameron returned to his dirt farm for the rest of his life.

John **Stewart** Cameron likely wrote the foregoing between 1935 and 1945.

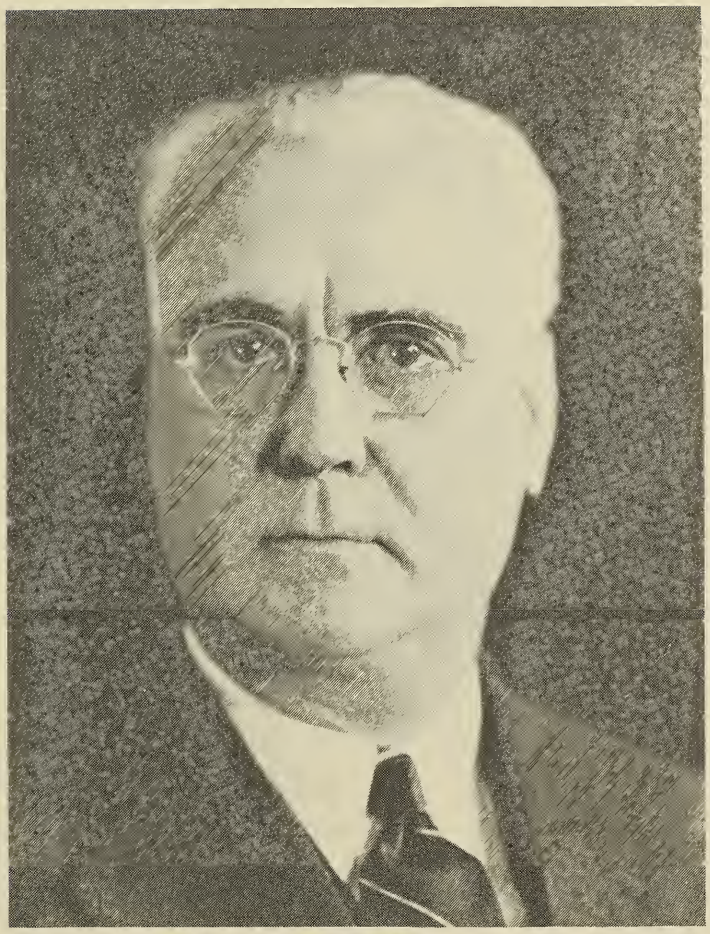
Selected Descendants of Catherine Cook Stewart, St:ABd., Al:aAbd., and Peter Cameron

St:ABd., Al:aAbd. Catherine Cook Stewart, b 4.21.1859, d 5.8.1889, m 5.6.1880, "Tiverton, Bruce Co., Ontario, Peter Cameron, b 5.9.1851, Huron Co., Ontario," according to Stephen M. Cameron (great-grandson) and Stephen's wife Helen. In addition to their descendants already enumerated (see pages 187-190), the following identification and classification has been made for the descendants of their second-born offspring. **St:ABdB., Al:aAbdB.** Peter **Scott** Cameron, "b 5.27.1883, Pembina Co.," Dakota Terr., "d 11.1948, MN," m Hulda Lenore Anderson, "b 7.7.1887," Dakota Terr. (now ND), "d 11.30.1966, MT," according to his grandson Stephen M. Cameron. Their 5 CH (according to their grandson Donald N. Cameron in a telephone interview on 3.4.1979): (A) anon. male-infant (stillborn), (B) Neil, (c) Aileen, (d) Eula, and (E) John Cameron; DESC:

[1] M. Gladys Cameron (**St:ABdc., Al:aAbdc.**), b 8.28.1886, d 1.19.1889.

[2] Catherine Cook (Stewart) Cameron, d 5.8.1889.

[3] Annie Cameron (**St:ABdd., Al:aAbdd.**), b 4.6.1889, d 4.29.1889.



Peter **Scott** Cameron, **St:ABdB., Al:aAbdB.**, in 1943.

St:ABdBA., Al:aAbdBA. anon. Cameron, d inf.

St:ABdBB., Al:aAbdBB. Neil Cameron b 8.21/27.1911, Bismarck, ND; member of Sigma Chi Fraternity, University of North Dakota, Class of '33, m **first** 4.20.1941, Bismarck, ND, Rosalie Elizabeth Page, dtr of Joseph and Anna Marie (Heidenreich) Page, b 5.21.1909, Westhope, ND; div 1967; m **secondly** 7.1976, Hazel (-----); Neil's res (1979): Las Vegas, NV. Neil and Rosalie had these 5 CH: (A) Joseph, (b) Rosalie, (C) Donald, (D) Stewart, and (E) Bruce Cameron; DESC:

St:ABdBBA., Al:aAbdBBA. Joseph Scott Cameron, b 11.1941, d inf, Bismarck, ND.

St:ABdBBb., Al:aAbdBBb. Rosalie Ann Cameron, b 12.31.1942, Fargo, ND, m Thomas Hanson; res (1970): 29 Poplar St., Rochester, NY. Their CH:

St:ABdBBbA., Al:aAbdBBbA. Timothy Hanson, b 1968.

St:ABdBBC., Al:aAbdBBC. Donald Neil Cameron, b 4.19.1944, Bismarck, ND, Data Processing Analyst, Home Savings Data Center, bus (1979): 5470 Eagle Rock View Dr., Los Angeles, CA (90041). This searcher talked with

both Donald, Univ. of North Dakota Alumnus and Sigma Chi, Class of 1966,[1] and his wife Kim on the telephone 3.4.1979 (213-246-6003) (info. supplied by Helen, wife of his first-cousin Stephen M. Cameron). Donald supplied the necessary information to classify these selected descendants of Peter and Catherine Cook (Stewart) Cameron (**St:ABd., Al:aAbd.**) Donald m 2.16.1974, Pasadena, CA, Kimberley Irene Coffelt, Wendell's dtr, b 7.2.1952, Burbank, CA. Their res (1979): 1901 Canada, Glendale, CA (91208). Donald and Kim have been blessed with 4 dtrs including triplets:

St:ABdBBCa., Al:aAbdBBCa. Amanda Delores Cameron, b 12.15.1974, Burbank, CA.

St:ABdBBCb., Al:aAbdBBCb. Shannon Page Cameron, b 11.7.1978, Burbank, CA.

St:ABdBBCc., Al:aAbdBBCc. Vanessa Coffelt Cameron, b 11.7.1978, Burbank, CA.

St:ABdBBCd., Al:aAbdBBCd. Cassandra Storm Cameron, b 11.7.1978, Burbank, CA.

St:ABdBBD., Al:aAbdBBD. Stewart Page Cameron, b 5.1.1948, Fargo, ND; Sigma Chi, Univ. of North Dakota, Class of 1970; m 7.2.1977, Minneapolis, MN, Cathy (-----); res: 811 Tenth Ave. N., Fargo, ND (58102).

St:ABdBBE., Al:aAbdBBE. Bruce William Cameron, b 10.16.1952, Fargo, ND; Sigma Chi, Univ. of North Dakota; single (1979): U.S. Army Sergeant stationed in Germany. He was to return to the University of North Dakota to complete his studies.

St:ABdBc., Al:aAbdBc. Aileen Cameron, m Gordon Thompson; res (1979): 823 N. Mandan St., Bismarck, ND (58501); CH:

St:ABdBcA., Al:aAbdBcA. Maury Cameron Thompson, attorney in Bismarck, ND (1979).

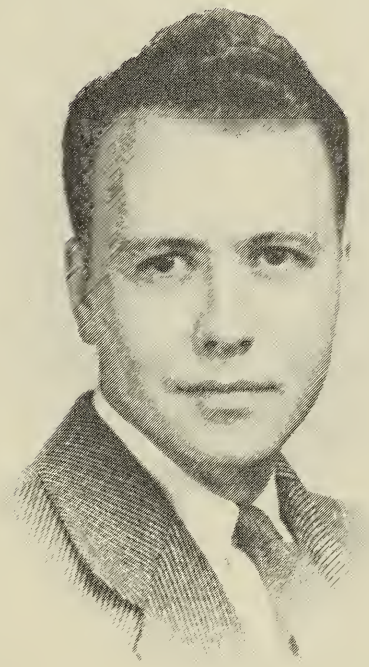
St:ABdBd., Al:aAbdBd. Eula Cameron, m (-----) Quam; 3 CH: Gale, John, and Robert S. Quam; res (1979): 205 N. Second, Bismarck, ND (58501). DESC:

St:ABdBda., Al:aAbdBda. Gale Quam, m Dr. Robert Sette, radiologist, University of North Dakota graduate (1954) and Sigma Chi brother of this searcher. Eula and Robert live in Long Beach, CA, and have three adopted children:

(1) Cameron Sette.
(2) Jonathan Sette.
(3) Pamela Sette.

St:ABdBdB., Al:aAbdBdB. John Cameron Quam, attorney, res (1979): Detroit Lakes, MN.

[1] **The Sigma Chi Fraternity Membership Directory—1977**, Evanston, IL.



John Scott Cameron, St:ABdBE., **Al:aAbdBE.**, ca. 1942.

St:AbdBdC., Al:aAbdBdC. Robert Scott Quam, formerly resided in Sunnyvale, CA; currently (1979) is a communications consultant in Marin Co., CA.

St:ABdBE., Al:aAbdBE. John Scott Cameron, b 2.4.1917, ND, m 5.2.1942, OH, Dorothy Mary Gainor, Malachi's dtr, b 12.6.1916, ND; res (1979): 279 Mariposa, Orchid Springs, Winter Haven, FL (33880). Their 2 CH: John and Steven M. Cameron; DESC:

St:ABdBEA., Al:aAbdBEA. John Scott Cameron II, b 4.11.1943, m Nancy (-----). Their res (1979) is the former res of his parents, 4127 S. Fulton Place, Royal Oak, MI (48072).

St:ABdBEB., Al:aAbdBeB. Stephen Michael Cameron, b 6.21.1949, Escanaba, Delta Co., MI; BCRN:121-15855-49 (Lansing); m 5.24.1972, Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Detroit, Wayne Co., MI (local MCRN:2596, Pontiac, Oakland Co., MI), to Helen Doraine Clayton, adopted dtr (1956) of Samuel Wilson and Myrtie Lee (Karnes) Clayton, b 3.2.1949, Saginaw, Saginaw Co., MI (BCRN:---.53423.--Lansing). Helen, being genealogically inclined, contacted this searcher after seeing the "book-in-progress" advertisement in Vol. 2 of the compilation entitled **Genealogical and Local History Books in Print**.

Both Stephen and Helen were graduated from Kimball H.S., Royal Oak, MI, in 1967. Steve attended Oakland University, Rochester, MI (1967-71),

John Scott Cameron, **St:ABdBE., Al:aAbdBE.**, and wife Dorothy Mary (Gainor) with Grandson Ian Wilson Cameron, **St:ABdBEBA., Al:aAbdBEBA.**, on June 26, 1976.

majoring in biology; he earned his D.D.S. degree in 1975 at the University of Detroit, School of Dentistry. From 1966-76, he was employed by Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co.

In 1976, Stephen received his commission with the U.S. Army, Dental Corps, and is (1979) a General Dentistry Officer with the rank of Captain stationed at Fort Riley, KS. He is a member of the Americn Dental Association and the Association of Military Surgeons.

Steve and Helen met during their senior year in high school while working in adjacent offices, the high school radio-station and senior-office, respectively. After a five-year courtship, they were m in 1972, Detroit, MI.

Steve's hobbies include reading science fiction, playing the piano, and playing tennis. Helen's hobbies include photography, genealogy, needlework, and swimming.

Helen attended Oakland County Community College. Their res (1979) was 1756 Cassell Rd., Manhattan, KS (66502). Their two CH (1979) are Ian and Michael:

St:ABdBEBA., Al:aAbdBEBA. Ian Wilson Cameron, b 1.30.1976, Royal Oak, Oakland Co., MI; BCRN:121-76-012007 (Lansing).

St:ABdBEBB., Al:aAbdBEBB. Michael Collin Cameron, b 1.11.1979, Manhattan, Riley Co., KS.

Stephen Michael Cameron, **St:ABdbEB.**, **Al:aAbdBEB.**, and wife Helen D. (Clayton), December 24, 1977, Manhattan, KS.

Ian Wilson Cameron, **St:ABdBEBA.**, **Al:aAbdBEBA.**, 8.1978, Manhattan, KS.

Michael Collin Cameron, **St:ABdBEBB.**, **Al:aAbdBEBB.**, b 1.11.1979.

Addendum: Al:

McALESTER-McMASTER

The McMasters and the McLartys

The original old stone Killean School was built on the farm land of **ARCHIBALD McMASTER (Al:aA.)** (Lot 8 of Concession 1 N, Puslinch Twp, Wellington County, Ontario). The school contributed to the education of young Canada until 1967, when it became a private residence.

> Right across the road from this school is the first home in Canada of **Dugald McLarty** and his wife, the former **Ellen Ramsay**, a descendant of **Sir Alexander Ramsay**, first Governor of Montreal and the Earl of Dalhousie. On this farm, **Dugald McLarty**, grandfather of **Nathan McLarty** (Weyburn homesteader of 1901 and former ND pioneer in 1889 in the Red River Valley and also near the Turtle Hills) and his five stalwart brothers and five sisters, hid **William Lyon MacKenzie**, ancestor of **Mackenzie King**, in a turnip pit for three days when he was hunted for being a traitor during the Rebellion of 1837. **Dugald** was ably helped by a close neighbor, **John Thomson**, the grandfather of **Mrs. Billy Gilchrist**, who was one of the pioneer mothers of Rainton (Worcester), SK. **William Lyon MacKenzie** is now considered the Father of Responsible Government for the Dominion.

The McLarty progenitor in Canada, **Dugald McLarty**, m **Ellen Ramsay**. Some of their known descendants include:

(1) **Mary McLarty** (dtr), m (unk.) **McLellan**; CH: **Sarah McLellan**, who at one time lived in the McLarty home across the road from the Killean School, and who remembered **MRS. ARCHIBALD (CATHERINE COOK) McMASTER** (1964 interview).
(2) **Christina McLarty** (dtr), m **James McMaster (Al:aAD.)** (see illus.).
(3) **Donald McLarty** (son, m **Mary Coy**; CH (known of the 5 sons and 5 dtrs): **Nathan McLarty**, **Donald McLarty**, **John Coy McLarty**, **Norman McLarty**, and **Elizabeth McLarty** m **Alexander (Sandy) McCormick**, CH: **Mary McCormick**, spinster, bur. Killean Cemetery. (4) **Ellen McLarty**, m **Walter McKellar, Sr.**; CH: **Walter McKellar**, who, after the death of his parents, lived with the family of **James McMaster** (see illus. in Al: section). Walter became a "missing person" in 1901 having disappeared at the Pan American Exposition in Buffalo, NY. He was never heard from again.

Williston MacMasters

Al:aADIAbA. Arran MacMaster Andersen, son of Mark and Bonnie (MacMaster) Andersen, started kindergarten in Napa, CA (1977).

[1]Eaglesham, Isabel, **The Night the Cat Froze in the Oven**, 1963 ca., p. 50. This history of Weyburn in Saskatchewan, Canada was published in commemoration of Weyburn's 50th Jubilee. Correction: "Thomson" rather than "Thompson". Addition: only a few logs of the McLarty home remained near the foundation in 1967. This source was discovered by Mrs. A.D. (Bud) (Neva Hydle) MacMaster of Williston, ND. See **Al:aADIA.**

Al:aADIAc. Mary Heather MacMaster, b 8.27.1946, m 4.14.1976, Kaneohe, Oahu, HI, Dr. Michael Joseph Carlon.

Al:aADIAD. John Hydle MacMaster, lawyer and district attorney for Williston, ND (1977) is still winning golf tournaments.

McMaster Marriages

The Wellington Co., Ontario, Canada, Marriage Register was gleaned by William Britnell of Mississauga, ON, and this searcher was informed in correspondence dated Jan. 7, 1979.

(1) **Malcolm McMaster (Al:aAE.)**, age 32, of Minto, b Scotland, son of ARCHD and CATHERINE MCMASTER, m --.--.1863, Mary[1] Shaw, age 20, of Minto, born Ireland, dtr of James and Mary Shaw; wit: (?). **Wellington County Marriage Register**, Vol. 1, p. 120, "Marriages of John Smithurst, Church of England, Minto." See pp. 260-1.

(2)**Alexr McMaster (Al:aAG.)**, age 35, of Minto, b Canada, son of ARCH. MCMASTER and CATHERINE COOK, m --.--.1869, Mary Cleghorn, age 24, of Guelph, b Canada, dtr of Robt Cleghorn and Mary Quarrie (?); wit: (?). **Wellington County Marriage Register**, Vol. 2, p. 19, "Marriages of William S. Ball, Knox Can. Presb. Church, Guelph."

Census Report of 1881

CATHERINE (COOK) MCMASTER (Anc.V.4.), widow of ARCHIBALD MCMASTER (Anc.V.3.), **Al:aA.**, in 1881, ae 83 y, b Scotland, C Presb rel., was living with her bachelor son John McMaster, **Al:aAI.**, her spinster dtr Catherine C. McMaster, **Al:aAf.**, and grandson Archibald McMaster, **Al:aAEA.**, believed to have been Malcom's son, b ca 1865. This grandson is believed to have been the same "Archibald, 16 y" (1881) included additionally in the 1881 return for Malcom McMaster's family (#206, p 50, Minto Twp; see).

Head of the household John McMaster, ae 42 y, b ON, farmer, had three persons living with him in 1881 (identified later as sister, mother, nephew):

(1) "Catharine C." McMaster, ae 47 y, b Quebec;

(2) "Catharine" McMaster, ae 83 y, b Scotland; and

(3) "Archabold" McMaster, ae 16 y, b ON.

Ref: **1881 CR**, Ontario, Canada; Wellington Co., Puslinch Twp A-3, p 8, Family 38; MFR C-13258, PAC, Ottawa.

Flora McLarty, **Al:aAaa.**, wife of Andrew Ord, in 1881; Archibald McLarty, **Al:aAaD.**; tentative classification of Flora's CH. Ref: **1881 CR**, Ontario, Canada; Wellington Co., Puslinch Twp A-2, p 37, Family 172; MFR C-13258, PAC, Ottawa.

[1]"Mary" is Margaret Shaw, see Al: family group — Al:aAE.

Al:aAaa. Flora McLarty, ae 35 y, b ON, and husband Andrew Ord, ae 48 y, b Scotland, Presb. rel, farmer; CH:

aAaaA. Andrew Ord, b and d inf (identified only by tombstone data; **not** named in 1881 CR).

aAaab. Euphemia Ord, b and d inf (identified only by tombstone data; **not** named in 1881 CR).

aAaaC. Robert Ord, ae 12 y (1881), b ON.

aAaaD. John Ord, ae 11 y (1881), b ON.

aAaae. Mary J. Ord, ae 9 y (1881), b ON.

In the Andrew Ord household in 1881 lived Flora's brother:

aAaD. Archibald McLarty, ae 27 y, b ON, "Labourer."

WILLISTON MACMASTERS (1983)

Al:aADIA. Bud MacMaster, semi-retired owner of an abstract company, and wife Neva of Williston, ND, have been active alums of UND ('29, '30). Their DESC:

Jean Anne MacMaster (Al:aADIAa.) has a computer consulting firm and husband Mike Quinlan is an IBM executive. They reside in Westport, CT, with 2 CH, Cynthia Quinlan (Al:aADIAaa.) and Jeffrey Quinlan (Al:aADIAaB.).

Bonnie Lou MacMaster (Al:aADIAb.), half-time teacher of nursing at Napa College and physiotherapist-husband Mark Andersen live in Napa, CA, with sons Arran MacMaster Andersen (Al:aADIAbA.) and Sterling Andersen (Al:aADIAbB.).

In 1983, Mary Heather MacMaster (Al:aADIAc.), husband Dr. Michael Carlon, and 2 CH Andrew Carlon (Al:aADIAcA.) and Camille Carlon (Al:aADIAcb.) moved to Landstuhl, Germany, for three years while Mike practices at the Army Hospital there.

John Hydle MacMaster (Al:aADIAD.), Williston lawyer, and wife Alecia have a son Jay Donald MacMaster (Al:aADIADA.), b 11.27.1983, Williston, ND.

Addendum: Al: Corrigendum:

Malco(l)m McMaster, **Al:aAE.**, in 1881. Revision of the classification for some of his offspring. Ref: **1881 CR**, Ontario, Canada; Wellington Co., Minto Twp B-1, p 50, Family 206; MFR C-13259, PAC, Ottawa.

Al:aAE. Malco(l)m ("Malcham") McMaster, ae 49 y, b Scotland, C Presb rel, farmer, and wife "Margrite," 39 y, b Ireland, C Presb; eight of eleven known CH identified in 1881 CR.

Classification

Revised	Old	
aAEA.	aAEA.	Archibald, ae 16 y, b ON.
aAEb.	aAEb.	Mary, 15
aAEC.	aAEC.	James, 13
aAED.	aAED.	John, 11
aAEE.	aAEE.	Thomas C., 9
aAEF.	aAEF.	Anonymous (not mentioned in 1881)
aAEg.	aAEg.	Catherine, 5
aAEh.	aAEh.	Flora, 3
aAEI.	aAEJ.	William A., 1 (Angus, b 1880) (**i.e.**, William Angus?)
aAEj.	aAEi.	Jean
aAEk.	aAEk.	Annie, b 1885.

SARLES

Last Known Addresses

Sa:??DDCAA. Carmen Gilbert Sarles, b 10.12.1926, school principal; res (1976): 611 Newman Cres., Whitby, ON (LIN 1M7).

Sa:??DDCF. John Gilbert Sarles, res (1976): 13567 Marine Dr., White Rock, BC (V4A 1G1).

Regarding the Sarles-family research in NY, this searcher has **not** seen the church records for eastern NY — in particular, Putnam and Columbia Counties — reportedly located at the Connecticut State Library at Hartford.

In May 1979, this searcher began to correspond with another searcher very knowledgeable regarding the Sarles and/or Searles Family in Westchester Co., NY, and elsewhere. First names in our records are the same. Her res (1979): Mrs. Ken E. Searles, 5670 N. 26th St., Milwaukee, WI (53209).

An Unidentified S(e)(a)rl(e)s in 1856

Petition of Simon Wills (Wells-? — or Wiles?) to be Administrator for goods, chattels and credits of **"Edward Serls"** (Sarles?) (d 9.12.1856, intestate) of Brock Twp., Ontario Co., Province of Canada, 1.7.1857; document with "other papers" on file in the Office of the Registrar of the Surrogate Court for Durham Region, 605 Rossland Road E., Whitby, Ontario, Canada (1976).

> To Zacheus Burnham Esquire, Surrogate of the County of Ontario, in the Province of Canada. The Petition of **Simon Wills** of the Township of **Brock** in the said County of Ontario Yeoman — Humbly sheweth (1) That **Edward Serls** late of the said Township of **Brock** labourer died at the said Township of Brock in or about the **Twelfth day of September 1856** intestate **without any next of kin in this province** and leaving goods, chattels and credits to be administered in the said County of Ontario of the value of one hundred pounds or thereabouts (2) That Your petitioner is a creditor of the said **Edward Serls**, to the amount of Eighty pounds five shillings.
>
> Your petitioner therefore humbly pray that you will be pleased to appoint your petitioner administrator of all and singular the goods and chattels rights and credits of the said deceased And your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray. January 7, 1857.

"**Simon** (his X mark) **Wills**" with Witness (illegible names). **Ident. and Class. (?): Edward Serls (Sarles —?) may have been** a "cousin" of WILLIAM SARLES, JR. (**V.5., Sa:CD.**): but the relationship has **not** been established by this searcher (1977). See pp. 322-3.

The Will of William Sarles, Sa:CD.

The Last Will and Testament of **WILLIAM SARLES, JUNIOR** (**V.5., Sa:CD.**) (ref. Sa:Y.113.), is on file in the Office of the Registrar of the Surrogate Court, Durham Region, 605 Rossland Road E., Whitby, ON. The

Addendum: Sa:

Will was written on 3.18.1856. William Sarles d 4.9.1857, Whitby Twp, Ontario Co., ON, Canada.

This is the Last Will and testament of me **William Sarles**, of the Township of **Whitby** in the County of Ontario, in the Province of Canada, Yeoman, I will and desire that all my just Debts, funeral and testamentary expenses be paid by my Executors so soon as reasonably may be after my decease, and in respect to my Estate, of whatsoever nature the same may be, I give and dispose of the same as follows, that is to say, I give and devise unto my beloved **Wife Hannah**, all that parcel or tract of land and premises containing by admeasurement **Fifty Acres** be the same more or less, situate on, and composed of those two portions of Lot number **Thirty** in the **Eighth Concession** of the said Township of **Whitby** which may be described as **Forty Acres** neither more nor less, extending over the full breadth of the said Lot and situate adjoining the Southern limit of the Northern or rear **Fifty Acres** of the same Lot, and the residue and overplus of the whole of the said Lot after deducting therefrom **150 Acres** nett thereof already by me conveyed to my **sons John, Elijah and Gilbert** and the above recited **Forty Acres** nett which said residue is situate on the Northern limit of the southern or front **Fifty** Acres nett of said Lot, by me already conveyed to my said **Son Gilbert**, his heirs and assigns and extends across the aforesaid Lot... always excepting therefrom the two Acres nett hereby otherwise devised as hereinafter particularly set forth and prescribed . . .

To have and to hold the above described land and premises to the sole use benefit and behoof of my said **Wife Hannah** during the full term of her natural life.

And I moreover give and bequeath unto my said **Wife Hannah**, all and singular whatsoever personal and chattel property I may be possessed of at the time of my decease, not in these presents otherwise disposed of. And it is my Will that the foregoing devises and bequests shall be in all cases subject to any conditions in and by this my Will imposed thereon, and that the same shall be accepted by her solely absolutely in lieu of all and any **Dower** from or by reason of my Estate of any kind whatsoever.

And I give and devise unto my son **Nathaniel Sarles**, that parcel or tract of land and premises containing by admeasurement **Thirty Acres** be the same more or less, being composed of the South Eastern portion of **Lot number Thirty-two** in the **Second Concession** of the Township of **Uxbridge** in the County of Ontario in the said Province. To have and to hold the same to the sole use and behoof of the said **Nathaniel Sarles** his heirs and assigns forever.

And I give and devise unto **John Nichol** of the said Township of Whitby and **Thomas C. Hubbard**, of the adjoining Township of Pickering, Yeoman, their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns respectively all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises containing by admeasurement **Two Acres neither**

more nor less, being composed of that part of the aforesaid Lot number **Thirty** in the **Eighth Concession** of the said Township of **Whitby** which may be described as regards the boundaries thereof, as follows, that is to say Commencing upon the Western limit of the said Lot (No. 30) at the North Western Angle of the said Southern Fifty Acres nett of the same Lot, thence North sixteen degrees West **Five Chains** nett, leaving the surplus quantity in the whole length of the said Lot, between the Northern Limit of the said Two Acres nett and the Southern limit of Fifty Acres nett, by me already conveyed to my **son Elijah Sarles** his heirs and assigns, being intended for the site of a road, thence North seventy-four degrees East **Four Chains** nett, thence South sixteen degrees East **Five Chains** nett to the said Northern limit of my **son Gilbert's** land, thence South seventy four degrees West **Four Chains** nett to the point of commencement.

To have and to hold the same together with all the appertenances to the same to the use of the said **John Nichol** and **Thomas C. Hubbard**, their heirs and assigns to the uses, upon the trusts and for the ends intents and purposes hereinafter limitted, expressed and declared of and concerning the same **Upon trust** that they the said John Nichol and Thomas C. Hubbard their heirs and assigns shall at all times yield, permit and allow the free and absolute use benefit and behoof of the **Southern Acre** nett as aforesaid . . . unto my daughter **Seneth Sarles** as long as she shall live, and also in like manner permit the like use of the **Northern Acre** nett as aforesaid unto my daughter **Mary**, likewise for the full term of her natural life, in all cases absolutely free and clear from any liability for debts of, and from any control whatsoever of any husband with whom they or either of them may intermarry, and so that neither of them shall without the written consent of the said Trustees have any power to alien or anticipate the growing or accruing profits or rents thereof, and after the decease of either of my said daughters, they shall by deed or deeds convey the said portions of land respectively for such ends, intents and purposes as my said daughters or either of them shall by deed or deeds by either, or both of them respectively executed; and attested by one or more credible witnesses, or by Wills and Testaments or Will and Testament, or any legal instrument of like nature, direct and appoint, and in default of any such appointment, in either case, or in both cases then the said lands shall go to the use of their respective heirs and assigns for ever pursuant to the provisions of the Statute in such case made, and I moreover empower and authorize the said John Nichol; and Thomas C. Hubbard their respective heirs and assigns; if they deem it expedient at any time so to do, in order to conduce to the benefit of my said daughters to convey by **Deed** the fee simple of the said portions of land to those of them hereby declared to be entitled to the same, her or their heirs and assigns **for ever** and thenceforward the said **Trust** will have been fully **completed** and **fulfilled.**

And I declare that the said Trustees hereby appointed shall each be accountable only for his own acts and deeds and defaults, and for

no other damage that may happen in the execution of the said Trusts unless through wilfil neglect and careless omission, and it shall be lawful for them to retain from monies, if any, coming into their hands all actual and inevitable charges and expenses attendant upon the execution of the said Trusts.

And it is furthermore my desire that my said Wife **Hannah**, or after her decease, my daughters **Hannah**, and **Elizabeth**, do provide, and allow, to my son, **Thomas Sarles**, a reasonably **comfortable Home** on the said premises hereby devised to them, so long as he live, and whensoever he may require the same; and so long nevertheless that, in the opinion of my executors, his conduct and behavior entitles him to the same; without annoyance to my said family, or the said members thereof; if otherwise, my said Executors shall be competent in that behalf with a view to give effect to my evident intention hereby evince, to make such arrangements as they consider advisable in the matter; which arrangement whatsoever it be, I hereby ratify, and confirm. And I give and bequeath unto my said son, **Thomas Sarles**, the sum of **Five Pounds** of money of the said Province; having otherwise made adequate provision for him.

And after the decease of my said Wife, **Hannah**, I give and devise the whole of the said Lands and premises (except the aforesaid Two Acres nett) to the said **John Nichol** and **Thomas C. Hubbard** their heirs and assigns to have and to hold the same to them their heirs and assigns to the uses **upon the trusts** and for the ends, intents and purposes hereinafter limitted, expressed and declared of, and concerning the same that is to say **Upon trust** to hold the same always subject to the occupation, use and sole benefit of my said daughters **Hannah** and **Elizabeth** respectively their heirs and assigns **share and share alike**, and in every case with the same powers, rights and authority to convey and divide as provided in regard to the aforesaid **Two Acres** nett as hereinbefore recited and expressed provided always nevertheless that the said lands may be divided between my said daughters **Hannah** and **Elizabeth** by the said Trustees as aforesaid, share and share alike, or at the discretion of the said Trustees sold on the best terms reasonably obtainable therefor, and conveyed by a sufficient Deed by them to the purchaser or purchasers thereof, and the nett proceeds of such Sale or Sales divided and distributed between them as aforesaid.

And I nominate and appoint the aforesaid **John Nichol**, and **Thomas C. Hubbard** to be the **Executors** of this my will hereby revoking all former Wills. In witness whereof **I** the said **William Sarles** have to this my last Will and Testament set my hand and Seal this **Eighteenth** day of **March** in the year **one thousand eight hundred and Fifty-six**

Always as corrected in regard to the **immediate vesting** of the therein mentioned **Two Acres** in the said **Two Acres** in the said Trustees for **Seneth** and **Mary Sarles**

William Sarle(s)
(signed)

Addendum: Sa:

Signed Sealed Published and declared by the within named **William Sarles** as and for his last **Will and Testament**, in the presence of us, who in his presence, at this request and in the presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names as Witnesses (signed) **Ellen Michell, Wm** (mid. initial?) **Michell, Asher Willson.**

Whitby & Uxbirdge — Will & Testament of William Sarles — 18th March 1856

Identification and Classification (tentative): WILLIAM SARLES (V.5., Sa:CD.) was m to his second Wife **HANNAH (BADGEROW BENTLEY Sarles) (V.8., Ba:Aa.)** (her second husband). The stated names of **WILLIAM'S children** include: Son **Nathaniel Sarles (Sa:CDB., Sh:AeB.)**, Dtr **Seneth Sarles (Sa:CDd., Sh:Aed.)**, Dtr **Mary** Sarles (**Sa:CDc., Sh:Aec.**), Dtr **Hannah** Sarles (**Sa:CDl., Ba:Aah.**), Dtr **Elizabeth** Sarles (**Sa:CDm., Ba:Aai.**) Son **Thomas Sarles (Sa:CDA., Sh:AeA.)**, Son **JOHN SARLES (IV.3., Sa:CDJ., Sh:AeJ.)** Son **Elijah** Sarles (**Sa:CDI., Sh:AeI.**), and Son **Gilbert** Sarles ("Searles") (**Sa:CDH., Sh:AeH.**).

Sarles Marriages

Marriage Records of Sarles Descendants from the **Ontario County Marriage Register, 1858-1869**, ON, Canada, transcribed by William E. Britnell, Mississauga, ON.

(1) Vol. **2**, page **34. Simeon Sarles** of Uxbridge, age 26, b Pickering, son of **Nathan Sarles** and **Nancy Crawford**, m 10.4.1864, to **Mary Ann Armstrong** of Whitby, b Canada, dtr of William Armstrong and Patience Black; wit: Esther Mardon and James Armstrong, both of Uxbridge; Minister, K. McLennan.

I-C: Simeon Sarles, Sa:CDBA., Sh:AeBA., son of **Nathaniel Sarles, Sa:CDB., Sh:AeB.**

(2) **3:2. Hugh Wilson** of Whitby Twp, 25, b Scotland, son of Hugh Wilson and Elizabeth McTink (sp?), m 4.30.1867, to **Hannah Sarles** of Whitby Twp, age 20, b Pickering, dtr of **WILLIAM SARLES** and **HANNAH BADGEROW**; wit: Alex Wilson and **Elizabeth Sarles**, both of Whitby; Minister, Alexander Kennedy of Dunbarton.

I-C: Hannah Sarles, Sa:CD1., Ba:Aah., dtr of **WILLIAM SARLES, JR., V. 5., Sa:CD.,** and **HANNAH BADGEROW, V.8., Ba:Aa.** Witness is likely **Elizabeth Sarles, Sa:CDm.**

(3) **3:26. Alex'r Wilson** of West Whitby, age 25, b Scarborough, son of Alex'r and Agnes Wilson; m 5.25.1868, to **E. J. Sarles** of West Whitby, age 19, b West Whitby, dtr of **WILLIAM** and **HANNAH SARLES**; wit: Adah Wilson of W. Whitby; Minister, John B. Edmundson, Presbyterian.

I-C: Elizabeth Jane Sarles, Sa:CDm., Ba:Aai., dtr of **WILLIAM SARLES, JR., V.5., Sa:CD.,** and **HANNAH BADGEROW, V. 8., Ba:Aa.**

(4) **3:32. James Jones** of Reach, 21, b Canada, son of Eli and Rebecca Jones, m 12.30.1868, to **Tryphema Sarles** of Uxbridge, age 17, b Whitby, dtr of **Gilbert** and **Eliz'th Sarles**; wit: Geo. Cruthers and Emiline Litcher, both of Reach; Minister, Tho's Stobbs of Brougham.

I-C: Tryphena S(e)arles, Sa:CDHa., Sh:AeHa., dtr of **Gilbert S(e)arles, Sa:CDH., Sh:AeH.**

Census Report of 1881

Sarles ("Searles"), Elijah, Sa:CDI., Sh:AeI. Ref.: **1881 CR**, MF Reel C-13245, PAC, Ottawa; Canada, Ontario, Ontario (North) Co., Reach Twp - B2, pp 17-18, Family 82.

Elijah "Searles" (Sa:CDI., Sh:AeI.) (see Sh:AeI.), according to the 1881 census taker for Reach Twp, was 53 y old, b ON, of Meth. rel., and German origin ("U.S." deleted). Elijah's wife was named "Jane" ae 43 y, English origin. Assuming that the names of the other members of the family are those of Elijah's children, these six are: (**a**) Kesiah, servant, ae 25 y, German origin (was she the "Laura" named in 1871? — Laura, Sa:CDIa., Sh:AeIa.); (**b**) Indiana, ae 20 y, Ger.; (**C**) David, ae 17 y, Ger., labourer (is he the same David named in 1871, ae 6 y? — David. Sa:CDIB., Sh:AeIa.); (**d**) Florence, ae 8 y, Ger.; (**E**) William, ae 5 y; and (**F**) Harry G., ae 3 y.

Three Children Surviving Gilbert S(e)arles, Sa:CDH., Sh:AeH:.

Ref: two microfilms located in the Genealogical Society Library, Salt Lake City, UT, entitled "Testators and Intestates," Ontario, Ontario County, County Court House Bldg, Whitby, Ontario, Index Books (to Wills), Alphabetical for Years 1854 - 1960 (microfilms #453684 and #453685); "Page 588, No. 238, year 1857, **Aaron Sharrard**, Whitby Twp, GB-98-N-4746."

The document is in regards to the Guardianship to the children of deceased **Gilbert S(e)arles, Sa:CDH., Sh:AeH.**, namely: **Tryphenia S(e)arles, Sa:CDHa., Sh:AeHa.; William Alfred S(e)arles, Sa:CDHB., Sh:AeHB.**; and **Philenda S(e)arles, Sa:CDHc., Sh:AeHc.**

> In Her Majestys Surrogate Court of the County of Ontario. Whereas **Aaron Sharrard** of the Township of Uxbridge in the County of Ontario Esquire by Petition to the said Court did setforth —
>
> That **Gilbert Sarles** late of the Township of Whitby in the said County of Ontario Yeoman deceased died on or about the Fifteenth day of June in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty nine a married man leaving **Triphoena Sarles, William Alfred Sarles**, and **Philanda Sarles** his natural and lawful children the said **Triphoena Sarles** being an Infant of the age of Ten years, the said **William Alfred Sarles** being an infant of the age of Seven years and **Philanda Sarles** being an infant of Four years and that all the said Infants reside at the Township of Whitby in the County of Ontario.

Addendum: Sa: Sh:

That the said **Gilbert Sarles** died intestate leaving **Elizabeth Sarles** his wife him surviving —

That the said **Elizabeth Sarles** widow of the said **Gilbert Sarles** died on or about the Fifteenth day of April in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and sixty two.

That due Notice has been given of the petitioners intention to be appointed Guardian and prayed that he might be appointed Guardian of the said Infants and that letters of Guardianship might be granted to him by the said Court.

Be it known that on the tenth of November in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and sixty two the said **Aaron Sharrard** was appointed guardian of them the said **Triphoena Sarles, William Alfred Sarles**, and **Philanda Sarles** and these letters of guardianship are accordingly granted by the said Court to the said **Aaron Sharrard** with power and authority to him to do all such acts matters and things as a guardian may or ought to do under any by virtue of any act of the Parliament of Upper Canada or of this Province relating to minors and their property, chaptered Six he the said **Aaron Sharrard** having being first bound as required by law to perform the said trust.

sg of I. V. Ham, Registrar

November 6, 1862

Aaron Sharrard was appointed guardian.

sg of **Aaron Sharrard**	**Esq.**	**"are held**
sg of **Calvin Sharrard**	Yeoman	and bound
his		unto" the
sg of **James** X **Sharrard**	Yeoman	three infants
mark		

in the following penal sums:

AS — $2,000	payment to be made
CS — $1,000	unto the infants
JS — $1,000	

Aaron Sharrard (Sh:ABC.) (Gilbert's first-cousin) was appointed Guardian of deceased **Gilbert Sarles' children.**

Census Reports of 1871

REF: Census Report of 1871, Uxbridge Twp., Ontario Co., Ontario Province, Canada; microfilm 0349175, Ximeno Branch, L.B., CA; Genealogical Soc. Lib., SLC, UT.

Family #242.

Jones, James, age 32 y, b ON, English, Farmer.
Jones, Tryphena (------), 19 y, b ON, Canadian.
Jones, James William, 1 y, b ON, Canadian.

Class.: Tryphena S(e)arles, **Sa:CDHa., Sh:AeHa.**
James William Jones, **Sa:CDHaA., Sh:AeHaA.**

Addendum: Sa: Sh: Ba: Be:

REF: Census Report of 1871, Whitby West Twp., Ontario Co., Ontario Province, Canada; microfilm 0349174, Ximeno Branch, Long Beach, CA; Genealogical Soc., SLC, UT.

Family #158.

Eddy, Mary (------), age 63, y, b ON, Methodist, Widow.
Eddy, Hester, age 26, y, b ON, Canadian.

Class.: Mary Sarles, **Sa:CDc.**, **Sh:Aec.**
Hester Eddy, **Sa:CDca.**, **Sh:Aeca.** (uncertainty).

Correspondence

Sa:CDJBa., Sh:AeJBa., Ba:AaeBa., Be:FDDDABeBa. Fredricia Rose Searles (Mrs. Hunt) changed her res (1977) to Apt. 385, 10707 - 117th Street, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T5H 3W3. In her correspondence of 12.1976, she provided the following information.

Sa:CDJBC. William Y. Searles had a pacemaker installed during a cardiac operation on July 30, 1975.

Sa:CDJBd. Catherine **Georgina** Searles lost her husband William S. Moir, who d 6.1976. He was bur 6.15.1976.

Sa:CDJBe. Almira (Alma) Elizabeth Searles lost her husband J. J. ("Lawrence") Hamilton, who d 12.1975. Alma had a pacemaker installed during her heart operation on 6.13.1975; res (1977): Saskatoon, SK.

Addendum: Sh:

SHARRARD

Sh:A. WILLIAM SHARRARD, Tailor.

"Shorror, the tailor," as printed on p. 323, Misc. Source Material for **Eighteenth Century Records of the Portion of Dutchess County, New York that was included in Rombout Precinct and the original Town of Fishkill**, Reese, W.W., and Reynolds, H.W., Collections of the Dutchess Co. Hist. Soc., Vol. VI., 1938.

Ident. of "Shorror, the tailor" is uncertain; but this might be a good lead. Could this person quite possibly be WILLIAM SHARRARD, later of Hastings Co., Ontario, Canada? Before 1777, WILLIAM was believed to have been a tailor somewhere on the "North River." Is he this tailor?

Church Records

Reference: Wanamaker, C. Loral Roy and Wanamaker (Parliament), Mildred, **Early Church Records of Rev. John Langhorn and Rev. Robert McDowall**, 1977, 155 pages mimeographed. Copies were purchased from Mr. C.L.R. Wanamaker, RR 1, Belleville, Ontario K8N 4Z1. Both Wanamakers are members of the United Empire Loyalists Association and the Ontario Genealogical Society. They worked for six years on this project.

The original Langhorn registers are at the Synod Office, Diocese of Ontario, in Kingston. Langhorn was an Anglican (Church of England) missionary to Upper Canada from 1786 to 1813, living at Ernesttown, now Bath.

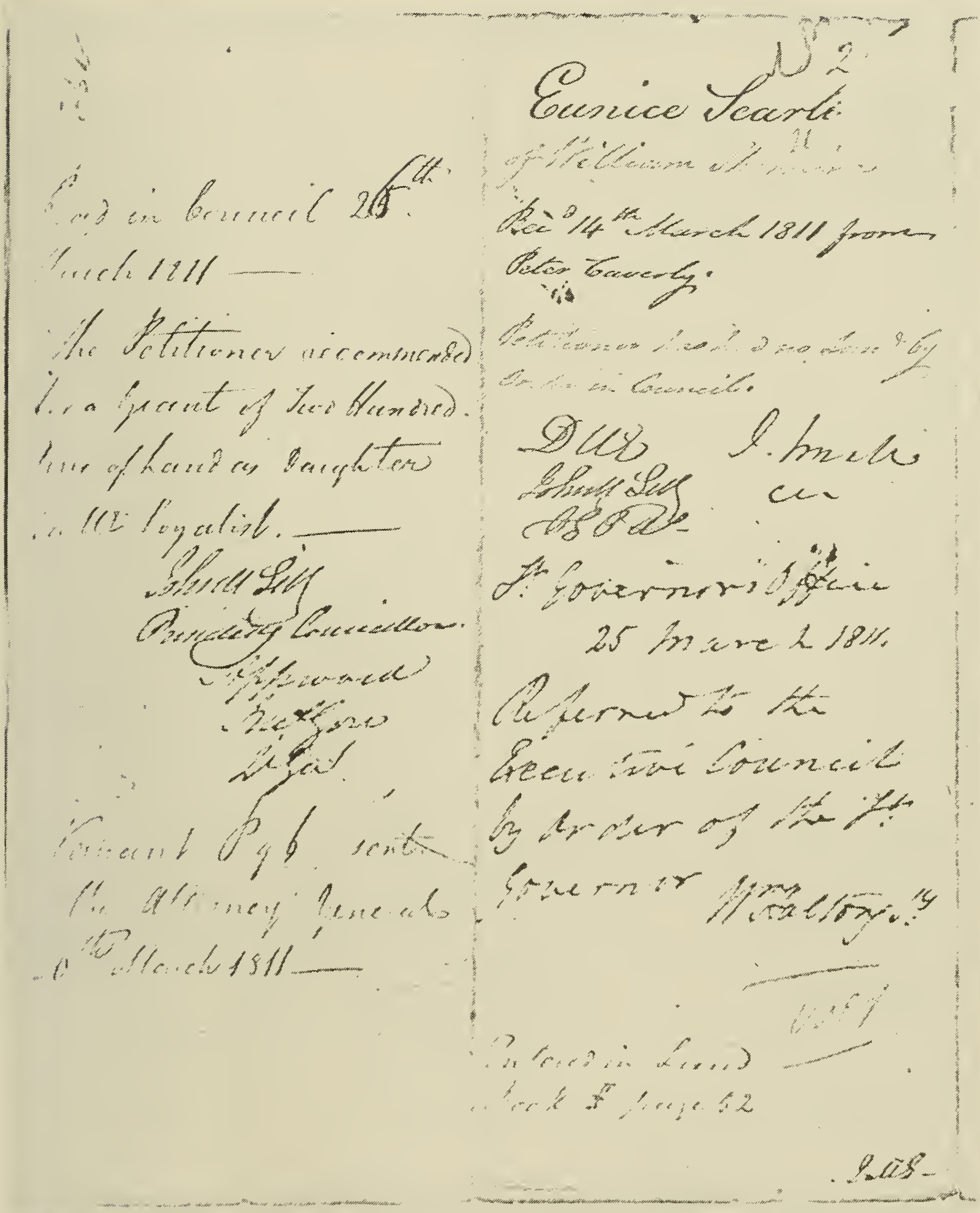
The original McDowall registers are in the Douglas Library, Queen's University, Kingston. McDowall was a Presbyterian missionary, living in Fredericksburg, who rode the Bay of Quinte Circuit from 1798 to 1841.

Rev. Langhorn's Baptisms include: "**Thomas Crysole, son of William and Aylsee Sherwood, Sidney, February 24, 1797**".

Rev. McDowall's Baptisms (of 103 children in Sidney Twp.) include: "**Diana, born 19 May 1801 to parents William Sherwood and Elsey Crysdal**" and "**William Serls, born 27 June 1804 to parents William Sherwood and Elsey Crysdale**".

Identification: The eldest offspring of WILLIAM SHARRARD, SR., U.E., Sh:A., VI.11., was **William Sharrard, Jr., Sh:AA.**, who married **Elsy Chrysdale**. The offspring of **William** and **Elsy** have previously been tentatively classified or placed in hypothetical birth-sequence as follows (to be revised):

Sh:AAA. Thomas **C.** Sharrard, b 10.29.1796.
Sh:AAb. Diana Sharrard, **b (unknown)**.
Sh:AAC. Joshua Sharrard, b ca. 1805.
Sh:AAD. John Sharrard, b ca. 1799 or 1800.


No 2
Eunice Searls
of William ...
Recd 14th March 1811 from
Peter Caverly.
Petitioner ... by
Order in Council.
Lt Governor's Office
25 March 1811.
Referred to the
Executive Council
by Order of the Lt
Governor Wm Halton
Entered in Land
Book F page 52

...ed in Council 26th
March 1811 —
The Petitioner recommended
for a Grant of Two Hundred
acres of Land as Daughter
of a U.E. Loyalist. —
Thos Scott
Presiding Councillor.
Approved
...
Grant ... sent
the Attorney General
... March 1811 —

Original Record for Sa:Y.15., Sh:D.12., and Anc:R.30., is Canada Land RG-1, L-3, Vol. 456, Petition of Eunice Searlls, S-26, Bundle 10, filed in the Manuscript Division of the Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. Ancestor Eunice "Searlls" is identified as EUNICE (SHARRARD) SARLES, Ancestor V.6., Sh:Ae., daughter of U.E.L. WILLIAM SHARRARD, Ancestor VI.11., Sh:A., and the wife of WILLIAM SARLES, JR., Ancestor V.5., Sa:CD. (Sa: class., implied).

Addendum: Sh:

The Petition of Eunice Searles of the Township of Sidney In the County of Hastings In the Midland District

Humbly Sheweth

That your Petitioner Is the Wife of William Searles and Daughter of William Sharrard an U.E. Loyalist That She has Never Recieved any Lands or order for Lands from the Crown

Therefore your Petitioner Prays that your Excellency may be Pleased to grant her Two hundred acres of the Waste Land of the Crown and Permit James Douglas to be Her agent to Locate the same and take out the Deed When Completed

and Your Petitioner as In Duty Bound will Ever pray — Eunice her + Searles mark.

Eunice Searlls Maketh oath and Saith
That she is the Person that she describes
herself to be In the within Petition
That she has Never Recieved any lands
or order for lands from the Crown —

Sworn before me at Sidney
in the province of upper
Canada this 9th day of
June 1808 —

her
Eunice + Searlls
mark

Asa Turner J.P.

[illegible] Certify [illegible] within Petition [illegible] [illegible] Canada [illegible] Crown [illegible] the best of my knowledge and belief.
Witness my hand at Sidney in the Province
of upper Canada this [illegible] day of June one
thousand Eight hundred and Eight —

Asa Turner J.P.

Sh:AAe. Sarah Sharrard, b (unknown).
Sh:AAF. William Sharrard III, b 10.8.1812.
Sh:AAG. Simeon Ostrand Sharrard, b 6.11.1815.

Additional information regarding three offspring of William and Elsy Chrysdale Sharrard was received in February 1977, as follows:

(1) "Thomas Crysole Sherwood", *i.e.* **Thomas Chrysdale Sharrard (Sh:AAA.)**, son of "William and Aylsee Sherwood, Sidney", *i.e.* William and Elsy Sharrard (**Sh:AA.**) of Sidney Twp., was **baptized on February 24, 1797**.

(2) "Diana Sherwood", *i.e.* **Diana Sharrard**, was **born 19 May 1801** to parents "William Sherwood and Elsey Crysdal", *i.e.* William Sharrard (**Sh:AA.**) and Elsy Chrysdale, Sidney Twp.

(3) "William Serls Sherwood", *i.e.* **William Sarles Sharrard**, was **born 27 June 1804** to parents "William Sherwood and Elsey Crysdale", *i.e.* William Sharrard (**Sh:AA.**) and Elsy Chrysdale, Sidney Twp.

Interpretation: Previously unknown **William Sarles Sharrard** appears to have been named for William Sharrard's (**Sh:AA.**) brother-in-law WILLIAM SARLES, JR. (**V.5.**), whose wife was EUNICE SHARRARD (**Sh:Ae., V.6.**). **If** the June 27, 1804, birthdate signifies that WILLIAM SARLES, JR., was in Sidney Twp. at that time, **then** the first SARLES immigrants (Hastings County, Ontario) likely arrived before June 27, 1804 (**between 1802 and 1804**). **William Sarles Sharrard** probably died in infancy or in childhood; no other record of him has been located.

Sharrard Marriage Records

Marriage Records are for identified and classified Sharrard descendants named in the **County Marriage Registers, 1858-1869**; records were searched by W. Britnell of Mississauga, ON.

(1) **Margaret A. Morgan (Sh:AACaa.)**, dtr of **Elizabeth Sharrard (Sh:AACa.)**. Magt A. Morgan, of Pickering, born Canada, dtr of Alexander Morgan and **Elizabeth**, m 12.22.1865, David Pugh, age 23, of Pickering, born Wales, son of David Pugh and Sarah; wit: Henry Harrison (?) and Melissa Morgan, both Pickering. Additional ident.: Melissa Morgan (**Sh:AACab.**). **Ontario County Marriage Register**, Vol. 2, p. 40, "Marriages of John Baird, Can. Presb. Church."

(2) **Melissa J. Morgan (Sh:AACab.)**, of Pickering, born Pickering, dtr of Alexander Morgan and **Elizth Morgan**, m 12.15.1866, William Evans, age 24, of Pickering, b Wales, son of James Evans and Sarah Pugh; wit: David and Margaret Ann Pugh of Pickering. **Ontario County Marriage Register**, Vol. 2, p. 67, "Marriages of John Cameron, Claremont." **Ident.:** Elizth (Sharrard) Morgan (**Sh:AACa.**), mother of Melissa J. Morgan (**Sh:AACab.**), bride, and Margaret Ann (Morgan) Pugh (**Sh:AACaa.**), witness.

(3) **Polly Sharrard (Sh:ACAa.)** and John Barry, parents of **Rachel E. Barry (Sh:ACAaa.)**. **Rachel E. Barry**, of Pickering, born Pickering, dtr of John Barry and **Polly** Barry, m 3.13.1864, Daniel Forsyth, 27, of Uxbridge, b Uxbridge; wit: Thomas Johnston, Majorville. **Ontario County Marriage Register**, Vol. 2, p. 30, "Marriages of William Lacey, Baptist, Claremont."

(4) **Mrs. Jehiel (Sarah Sharrard) Churchill (Sh:ACd.)** was the mother of **James Churchill (Sh:ACdA.)**. **James Churchill**, age 23, of Pickering, born Pickering, son of Jehiel and **Sarah Churchill**, m 7.20.1859, Catharine Smith, age 23, of Pickering, born Pickering, dtr of Samuel and (---) (error, but spouse unk.) Smith; wit: Frederick Smith and Hanah Bodel, both of Pickering. **Ontario County Marriage Register**, Vol.1, p. 59, "Marriages of Jesse Tatton, Christian Minister."

(5) Mrs. William (Nancy Sharrard) Wil(l)son (**Sh:ACf.**) was the mother of Olivia Wil(l)son (**Sh:ACfa.**) ("Olive"). **Olivia Wilson**, 22, of Pickering, born Pickering, dtr of William Wilson and **Nanzey Wilson**, m 3.26.1866, James Cuttle, 28, of Clark, b England, son of James Cuttle ("Cuttell"?) and Ester Cuttle; wit: James S. Philips and Phebe Churchill, both of Pickering. **Ontario County Marriage Register**, Vol. 2, p. 67, "Marriages of John Cameron, Claremont." **Ident.:** James S. Philips (uncertain ident., **Sh:AChA.**) (?) and Ph(o)ebe Churchill (**Sh:ACdf.**).

(6) **Nathaniel Sharrard (Sh:AB.)** was the father of **Caroline Sharrard (Sh:ABf.)**. **John Palmer** of Uxbridge, age 25, b England, son of Edwin and Eliz'th Palmer, m 7.18.1860, to **Caroline Sharrard** of Uxbridge, age 24, b Pickering, dtr of **Nathaniel** and **Jane Sharrard**; witnesses: **Robert Walk** of Uxbridge and **John Sharrard** of Uxbridge; Minister, L. Warner. **Ontario County Marriage Register**, 1:121.

(7) **Nathaniel Sharrard (Sh:AB.)** was the father of **Samuel Sharrard (Sh:ABG.)**. **Samuel Sharrard** of Uxbridge, age 25, b Pickering, son of **Nathaniel** and **Jane Sharrard**, m 11.18.1861, to **Harriet Fraser** of Pickering, age 23, b Pickering, dtr of Joseph and Mary Jane Fraser; wit: ----- Frazer and Elizabeth J. Frazer, both of Pickering; Minister, Lewis Warner of Whitby. **Ontario County Marriage Register**, 1:164.

(8) Uncertain identity of **John Sharrard (Sh:---.)**. **John Sharrard** of Oshawa, age 30, m 8.4.1862, to **Jane Burke** of Bowmanville, age 18; wit: David Ker and Matthew Ryan, both of Oshawa; Minister, G.N.A.F.T. Dickson. **Ontario County Marriage Register**, 1:172.

(9) **Sarah Sharrard (Sh:ACd.)** was the sister of Ira Sharrard (Sh:ACG.) and the mother of **Phoebe Churchill (Sh:ACdf.)**. **John Gould** of Pickering, age 53, b England, son of John Gould and Ann Isaac, m 12.23.1868, to **Phebe Churchill** of Pickering, age 22, b Pickering, dtr of **Jehiel Churchill** and **Sarah Sharrard**; wit: **Ira Sharrard** and **Laura Sharrard** of Pickering; Minister, John Cameron. **Ontario County Marriage Register**, 3:32.

(10) **Thomas E. Sharrard (Sh:A??.)**, father, and **Amanda Sharrard (Sh:A???.)**, daughter, **remain unidentified** (1979). **Jacob Meddaugh** of Brougham, age 68, b Brantford, son of Stephen and Elizabeth Meddaugh, m 1.17.1869, to **Amanda Sharrard** of Brougham, age 59, b Sidney, dtr of **Thomas E.** and **Mary Sharrard**; wit: Samuel Jones and William Dunham, both of Brougham; Minister, Jesse Tatton. **Ontario County Marriage Register**, 3:44. **Ident.? Thomas C. Sharrard (Sh:AAA.)?**

Sharrard Corrigendum

Sh:ACBA. James W. Sharrard, m Maria Bentley (**Be:FDDADCa.**), b 9.5.1837, d 3.6.1861, at age 23 y 6 m 11 d (D.42.). Maria was the dtr of **William Bentley (Be:FDDADC.)** of the Village of Brougham, Pickering Twp., Ontario Co., Ontario, Canada (Be191.).

Sh:ACdAa. May Churchill, m Richard Allin; three CH: Richard, Stanley, and Rosaline Allin.

Sh:ACf. Nancy Sharrard was also known as Mary Sharrard.

Sh:ACfaaD. Henry Ross-Johnson (**not** Henry Cuttell).

Census Reports

D.83. Census Report of 1871, Pickering Twp., Ontario Co., Province of Ontario, Canada. This record was inadvertently omitted from page 505.

Family #98.

Gould, John, age 55 y, b England, Universalist, English, Yeoman.
Gould, Phoebe (------), age 24 y.
Class.: **Sh:ACdf.**, Phoebe Churchill.

Family #112.

Phillips, John, age 54 y, b NB, W. Methodist, Scotch, Farmer.
Phillips, Mary (--------), 35 y, b "England," English.
Phillips, Sylvanus, 23 y, b ON, Scotch, School Teacher.
Phillips, Robert, 16 y, b ON.
Phillips, Frances E. (female), 21 y, b ON.
Phillips, Selena (female), 18 y, b ON.
Phillips, Nancy M., 12 y, b ON.
Phillips, Alma, 10 y, b ON.
Phillips, George W., 10/12 y, b May of 1870, ON.

Class.: **Sh:ACh.**, Mary ("Polly") Sharrard
Sh:AChB., Sylvanus Phillips
Sh:AChE., Robert Phillips
Sh:AChc., Frances E. Phillips
Sh:AChd., Selena Phillips
Sh:AChf., Nancy M. Phillips
Sh:AChg., Alma Phillips
Sh:AChH., George W. Phillips

Family #115.

Hogle, David age 50 y, Christian, Irish, Farmer; Class.: **Sh:AAbA.**
Hogle, Julia (-------), 53 y.
Hogle, Levi P., 19 y, Irish, Class.: **Sh:AAbAB.**
Hogle, James, 16 y, Class.: **Sh:AAbAC.**

Family #118.

Churchill, Jehiel, age 64 y, Universalist, English, Farmer.
Churchill, Sarah (--------), 58 y, Class.:**Sh:ACd.**
Johnston, Selena, 17 y, Class.: **Sh:ACdba.**
Johnston, Benjamin F., 11 y, Class.: **Sh:ACdbC.**

Census Report of 1881

Samuel Sharrard, **Sh:ABG.**, in 1881. Ref: **1881 CR**, Ontario, Canada; Ontario Co. (North), Uxbridge Twp-A3, p 5, Family 21; MFR C-13244, PAC, Ottawa.

Samuel Sharrard ("Sherrard"), Sh:ABG., ae 45 y, b ON, Christian, of Eng. origin, Farmer, husband of Harriet, ae 44 y, b ON. Three sons assumed to be theirs: (A) William Henry Sharrard, ae 18 y; (B) Allan Smith Sharrard, ae 14 y; and (C) Ira Sharrard, ae 12 y.

According to the **1871 CR** (D.35.), the names of the three boys were: William H.; William J., ae 5 y; and Ira. Are Allan Smith Sharrard (1881) and William J. Sharrard (1871) different individuals or are they the same person, classified **Sh:ABGB.**? See also family of William Sharrard, **Sh:ABB.** (also in addendum). Who is the father of William J. Sharrard?

The offspring of William Sharrard, Sh:ABB., should be reclassified (less tentatively, because of omission of the name of "William J. Sharrard"). Ref: **1881 CR**, Ontario, Canada; Ontario Co. (North), Uxbridge Twp - A3, p 4, Family 17; MF Reel C-13244, PAC, Ottawa.

Hypothetical Classification

New	Old	
Sh:ABB.	Sh:ABB.	Sharrard ("Sherrard"), William, 60, b ON, Christian, Eng., Farmer
	wife	Mary, 45, Irish
Sh:ABBA.	Sh:ABBA.	William J. (not included as a member of this family in 1881 CR)
ABBB.	ABBC	Albert, 23, Eng., Farmer
ABBC.	ABBE.	Elijah, 20
ABBd.	ABBh.	Sarah Jane, 19
ABBe.	ABBa.	Comfort Maria, 16
ABBF.	ABBE.	George, 14
ABBG.	ABBF.	Calvin, 12
ABBh.	ABBi.	Violet Anne, 10
ABBi.	ABBk.	Maude Mary, 7
ABBJ.	ABBJ.	Jas. Franklin, 4

Addendum: Be:

BENTL(E)Y

The readers should be aware of the necessary revision of the classification of Bentley-Family-Group (Be:) descendants appearing in the Badgerow Family Group (BA:) (pages 543-6). Please see the revised classification in the Bentley-Family-Group Roll in the enlarged Bentley (Be:) section. Also see Index II as well as Index I.

John Bentley, **Be:FDCAA.**, and some of his descendants. The sources for the following are (1) a copy of an **excerpt — from a letter** written in 1918 located in the Bentley Safe Ms 27, NEHGS Library, Boston (Be34.), and (2) a "worksheet" by **Mary Lovering Holman** without the specified documentation (Be34.). See also page 1228.

Tentative identification and classification:

FDCAA. John Bentley, son of Tillinghast, grandson of William, great-grandson of THOMAS, and gg-gs of WILLIAM BENTL(E)Y, was b 12.1756, RI Colony, d 7.25.1830, Milton, Saratoga Co., NY, m (**first**) Sarah (-----); their seven CH (hypothetical sequence):

FDCAAa. Sarah Bentley, m (----) Snyder of Milton, NY.

FDCAAb. Catherine Bentley, m (----) Greene of Clifton Park, NY.

FDCAAc. Elizabeth Bentley, m Tillinghast Bentley of Milton, NY.

FDCAAd. Charity Bentley, m (----) Southwick of Greenfield, NY.

FDCAAe. Patience Bentley, m John Bentley of Troy, NY.

FDCAAF. John Bentley, settled in Greenfield, NY.

FDCAAG. Abel Bentley, m Polly Jones, settled in Oswego Co., NY.

John Bentley (Be:FDCAA.) married **secondly** Thankful Ballou, dtr of David and Mary (Smith) Ballou, b 3.18.1767, Gloucester, RI Colony, d 11.12.1830, Milton, NY; their eight CH (hypo. seq.):

FDCAAH. Otis Bentley, b 10.28.1794, Milton, NY, m Theodosia H.

FDCAAI. David Bentley

FDCAAJ. Pardon Bentley

FDCAAK. Stephen Bentley

FDCAAL. Adam Bentley

FDCAAM. Charles Bentley

FDCAAN. Gregory Bentley

FDCAAO. Reuben Bentley

The foregoing is based upon information on a Holman worksheet. The following tentative classification can be determined from William H. Bentley's letter (both Be34.).

Addendum: Be:

FDCAA?. (anon.) Bentley, unnamed father of William H. Bentley, son of John.

FDCAA??. William H. Bentley, in his letter written in Pulaski, NY, 9.16.1918, identifies a cousin John Otis Bentley. To whom the letter was written is a mystery. The copy of the excerpt (**sic**) in the manuscript is quoted **verbatim:**

> My grandfather was John Bentley b. 1755 in Rhode Island. He was the son of Tillinghast Bentley who was the son of William Bentley / / who was the son of James Bentley who was the son of James Bentley who was the brother of the celebrated Richard Bentley, the greatest Greek scholar of his time. The Bentley in partnership with Wedgewood was a son of Richard Bentley. / / [1] My grandfather was a private in a Duchess County Company in the Rev. and his father, Tillinghast, was a captain in the same company. They moved from R.I. to Dutchess Co. N.Y. before the Revolution, and in 1782 moved to North Milton, Saratoga Co., N.Y., 4 miles west of Saratoga Springs. The home is now owned by John Otis Bentley, a cousin of mine who is now 88 years old and in excellent health. His father lived to be 99 yrs and 9 months old.

FDCAAH. Otis Bentley, although not named by William H. Bentley above, is believed by this searcher to be the father of John Otis Bentley. Otis, b 10.28.1794, Milton, NY, if he lived to be 99 y old, would have d ca 1892, probably in August (d ae 99 y 9 m); one of his CH was likely:

FDCAAH?. John Otis Bentley, b ca 1830, ae 88 y in 1918; cousin of William H. Bentley (Be:FDCA??.) of Pulaski, NY; res (1918): the home of his g-gf Tillinghast Bentley in North Milton, Saratoga Co., NY.

[1]This searcher cannot accept W.H.B.'s hypothesis regarding ancestral identity as indicated between the inserted pair of double diagonals.

Bentley, Shippee, Badgerow Corrigendum

ALMIRA HANNAH (BENTLEY) SARLES WINMILL, Ancestor IV.4., **Be:FDDDABe., Sp:ADhDABe., Ba:Aae.**, and family in 1881, West Wawanosh Twp, Huron Co., ON, Canada. Reclassification of some of ALMIRA'S offspring. Ref: **1881 CR**, Ontario, Canada; Huron Co. (North), Wawanosh Twp—El, pp 19-20, Family 89; Microfilm Reel C-13274, PAC, Ottawa.

Previous classification (very tentative) of ALMIRA'S offspring was partially based upon the data in the 1871 CR. Here is a comparison of the data from both sources — the 1871 and the 1881 CR's. The revised classification is simply **less** tentative. The 1881 name of "Oscar" (ae 12 y) appears to be a replacement for the 1871 name of "Albert" (ae 3 y), **i.e.**, different names for the same child.

The revised classification includes just one offspring who d inf and whose name does not appear in either CR. This searcher tentatively classified this offspring as ALMIRA'S 13th CH as a son because she was believed to have given birth to a total of seven dtrs and seven sons.

A revision of the birth order and classification for the offspring of ALMIRA Winmill ("Windmill"), reportedly ae 44 y (1881), b ON, wife of James Winmill ("Windmill"), ae 44 (1881), b Quebec, C. Methodist Rel., farmer:

	Classification			
	Bentley Revised	Badgerow Revised	—Old	
1.	FDDDABea.	Aaea.	Aaea.	Almedia Sarles ("Sorrals"), ae 25 y.
2.	FDDDABeB.	AaeB.	AaeB.	Fredric Sarles, 22, farmer.
3.	FDDDABec.	Aaec.	Aaec.	SARAH SARLES, 21, dressmaker.
4.	FDDDABeD.	AaeD.	AaeD.	William Winmill, 18 (ae 9, 1871).
5.	FDDDABee.	Aaee.	Aaee.	**Mary** Amelia Winmill, 16 (ae 7, 1871).
6.	FDDDABeF.	AaeF.	AaeF.	Myron **Thomas** Winmill, 15 (ae 5, 1871).
7.	**FDDDABeG.**	**AaeG.**	AaeG.	and AneM. **Oscar** Winmill, 12 ("**Albert**," ae 3, 1871) (Albert **Oscar**?).
8.	FDDDABeH.	AaeH.	AaeH.	**Robert** Henry Winmill, 10 (ae 1, 1871).
9.	FDDDABeI.	AaeI.	AaeI.	Frank Eldred Winmill, b-d 1871.
10.	FDDDABej.	Aaej.	Aaej.	Frances Ellen Winmill, b-d 1871.
11.	**FDDDABek.**	**Aaek.**	Aael.	**Almira** Winmill, 8; nicknamed Mina.
12.	**FDDDABel.**	**Aael.**	Aaek.	Ida Winmill, 6
13.	**FDDDABeM.**	**AaeM.**	(none)	Anon. Winmill, male, d inf? (no ident in CR's).
14.	FDDDABen.	Aaen.	Aaen.	**Effa** Maud Winmill, 3

Addendum: Be:

Unclassified unidentified-Bentleys named in the **1881 CR** for West Whitby Twp, Ontario Co., ON, Canada; MF Reel C-13244, PAC, Ottawa.

West Whitby Twp - B1, p 35, Family 171:

McQuay, Benj., 31 y, Hotel Keeper
wife Mary E.
Bently, Ellen, 37 y, Widow, b ON, Irish origin, Servant
Bently, William, 13 y, b ON.

Unclassified unidentified-Bentleys named in the **1881 CR** for Reach Twp, Ontario Co., ON, Canada; MF Reel C-13245, PAC, Ottawa.

Reach Twp - B2, pp 10-11, Family 48:

Bentley, John, 42, b ON, Meth. C., Eng., Farmer.
wife Mary A., 39, b Eng., Meth.
Beswick, Ann, 67, Widow, b Eng., Meth.

Reach Twp - B2, pp 10-11, Family 51:

Bentley, Mary, 27, b ON, Meth. C.
Bentley, Margaret, 25, b ON, Meth. C.
Bentley, Hector, 3, b ON.

Reach Twp - B2, p 29, Family 137:

Bentley, Mary, 69, Widow, b Eng., Meth. C.

Reach Twp - B2, p 29, Family 138:

Bentley, James, 26, b ON, Laborer, Meth C.
wife Janet, 24, b Scotland, Presb. C.
Bentley, Cella M., 2, female, b ON.

Reach Twp - B4, p 16:

Bentley, Thomas, 27, b ON, Meth., Farmer
wife Eliza Jane, 23, b ON
Bentley, Edith Elsey, 4, b ON
Bentley, Annie Mary Louise, 2, b ON

BADG(E)RO(W)

Ba:A. MARTINAS BADGEROW, according to an 1861 CR, was a **"Universalian"** in religious belief. This searcher's interpretation is that he was a member of a Universalist Church.

According to G. Elmore Reaman, as stated in **The Trail of the Huguenots** (his book pub. 1966 by Genealogical Pub. Co., Baltimore), the founder of the **Universalist Church** in America was a Pennsylvania Huguenot named Dr. George de Benneville, son of George de Benneville, Sr.:

> He was born in 1703 in London, England, and died in 1793. His family came from Rouen in Normandy and his branch had a close relationship with the Protestant Court at Holland. From France at the invitation of William II the family went to England where they were well received. George Jr. was taken care of by Queen Anne and he was well educated in theology and medicine. In 1741 he came to America where he met Christopher Sauer; locating as a Physician in Oley Valley (PA), he preached the doctrine of universal redemption and conducted a school. He married Ester Bertolet.

Probable Identity of the Wife of Martinas Badgerow, Ba:A.

In his letter of 8.13.1977, William E. Britnell of Mississauga, ON, enclosed the following information gleaned from the York County Clerk's copy (of the original) submitted by the minister. The source is the **Toronto City Marriage Register, 1858-1869**, Vol. 1, page 199, "Rev. Dr. John Jennings, Canada Presbyterian Church for 1864."

Elizabeth (Badgerow) Chapman (**Ba:Af.**) (?) (widow), age 38 (calc. b ca 1826); res (1864): Toronto; b "Surry, England," dtr (gdtr?) of "**Martines Badgroe**" and "**Margt Sargier**" (Martinas Badgerow and Margaret "Sager" or "Segar," sister (?) of "Henry Sager," named in the same household in the 1861 CR, Markham); m "February 8, 1864, Thomas Ryan, age 31" (calc. b ca 1833), res (1864): "16th Regiment, Toronto; b Cork, Ireland, son of John Ryan and Elizabeth Russell." Witnesses to the marriage were Thomas Scully and Emily Morris, both of Toronto.

Comments: This Elizabeth appears to have been too young (7 years old!) in 1833 to be the one who m William "Whirton" (see **Ba:Af.**). She **does appear** to be the dtr of Martinas Badgerow and Margaret "Sargier" (or "Sager"), although her mother Margaret would have been ca 53 y old at Elizabeth's birth if her age of 38 y can be trusted on this 1864 record(?!). Identity and classification are uncertain. The record is important, however, because the names of **"Martines Badgroe"** and **"Margt Sargier"** are given as husband and wife and appear to be the names of the **Ba:A. progenitor Martinas Badgerow and wife Margaret (anc.VI.16.).**

Fields Correspondence

Ba:AahCA. Eva Melinda Wilson, widow of Clarence Fields, res (1976): 3341 E. Edgewood Ave., Indianapolis, IN (46227), wrote to this searcher regarding her trip to Ontario, Canada. Extracts from the letter dated October 17, 1976, follow:

Addendum: Ba:

Dear Cousin:

I really accomplished what I set out for Ontario to do. I was unable to find out from anyone I knew where Hubble Cemetery was located. My sister, my daughter, and I had an engagement for lunch with Margaret Gall. We went by way of Brooklin, where my sister lives. North of Brooklin is a small town named Myrtle. That was where Uncle Oscar was born. I asked Shirley to stop at a gas station so I could enquire. It was a very young attendant. He suggested I ask the elderly couple next door. When I asked, the elderly gentleman pointed behind the garage. None of the stones were there. He said vandals had torn the place to pieces two years ago.

We went to Markham Museum, Main st., Markham, Ont. They all but rolled out the red carpet for us. They gave me these papers that you may already have but may be of interest.

They would like to have anything you might have or care to give them for their files. When the book comes out, they wish to purchase. My niece by marriage, Jo Wannop,[1] wife of Gilbert, helped us find different places we wanted to see. Her parents were one-time owners of the Badgerow land. When we got to the Buttonville Cemetery, it started to rain. Wish it had held off a few minutes longer so I could have figured out the tall Badgerow stone. By the way, if you still want the Wannop data, I'm sure Jo would oblige. The add. Mrs. Gilbert Wannop, 10 Albert St., Markham, Ont.

Your letter dated Aug. 14th, 76 told me something I've wanted to know for years. The whereabouts of the picture of Grandfather Wilson's home in Scotland. Uncle Oscar's wife destroyed all family pictures very soon after they were married and I thought that likely went too. It was all the family had of Grandfather Wilson.

You asked for Shirley Tatum's add. She lives next door to me. If ever anyone was blessed, it's me to have a daughter such as Shirley. The add. (a) 3333 E. Edgewood Ave., Indianapolis, Ind. 46227.

John Fields 1st lives in Florida, 436 Blue Jay Ln, Satellite Beach, Fla. 32937.

John Fields 2nd — 106 So. 3rd St., Beech Grove, Ind. 46227.

Before I forget, Mrs. Boadwin has passed away.[2]

Now I have grandma Wilson's marriage certificate dated at Dunbarton, Ont. April 30th 1867. Also the children's births and marriages. If you want them I'll be glad to send.

. . . By the way, the papers Jo has, where Margaret Badgerow signed was with an X. She signed many but not a sign of a maiden name.

Sincerely,
Eva Fields (signature)
(Ba:AahCa.)

[1]Josephine (Larkin) Wannop

[2]Mrs. Wilmur A. (Barbara **Annie** Badgerow) Boadwin, **Ba:AHCd.**, died 4.11.1976.

Addendum: Ba:

Eva enclosed three photographs in her letter of: (1) the bronze plaque erected by Costain Estates Limited in the Buttonville Cemetery at the gravesite of "Martinaes Badgerow" (**MARTINAS BADGEROW, Ba:A. Progenitor**) containing a message which obviously was poorly researched; (2) the tombstone imbedded in cement formerly in the "Badgerow Burial Ground" on Lot 7 of Con. 2, Markham Twp, bearing the name of "Martimas Badgerow" (**MARTINAS BADGEROW, Ba:A. Progenitor**); and (3) an old Badgerow tombstone standing erect with illegible inscription a portion of which appears to be "JOHN (BADGEROW-?) . . . 22. . . June . . . 82 y . . . (82-?) . . . The photos are **not** reproduced here because **first** is incorrectly worded, the **second** is of the stone photographed by this searcher already appearing in the section for the Badgerow Family Group, and the **third** has an illegible inscription.

Correspondence Regarding Reinterment of the Remains of Martinas Badgerow, Ba:A

Item No. 1. An enclosure in one of the letters received by this searcher and Badgerow-descendant read as follows:

BADGEROW BURYING GROUND
LOT 7, CON. 2, Markham Twp.

Grave removal by Riverside Cemetery-June 17, 1975
through June 20, 1975.

FOUND-

3 Adult remains
2 Child remains
1 casket handle and several casket nails
a few buttons
no name plates
4 survey stakes — cemetery had been originally staked and fenced

Remains removed to Buttonville Cemetery

Mr. Frank Johnson was present at removal of remains, representing the Markham Museum.

Item No. 2. Affidavit in the County Court of the Judicial District of York. In the matter of the Cemeteries Act, R.S.O. 1970, Ch. 57;

and

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO)
)
JUDICIAL DISTRICT)
OF YORK)
)
TO WIT:)

IN THE MATTER OF the removal of human remains from the Cemetery of Martinais Badgerow, situate on the east side of Bayview Avenue and being composed of part of Lot 7, in the 2nd Concession of the Town of Markham, (hereinafter referred to as "Badgerow Cemetery")

Addendum: Ba:

I, **JOSEPH LYNN GRAHAM**, of the Borough of Etobicoke, in the Province of Ontario, **MAKE OATH AND SAY AS FOLLOWS:**

1. I am the Managing Director of Riverside Cemetery Company Limited, a Company incorporated under the laws of the Province of Ontario on July 23, 1892, and having its head office and principal place of business at 1567 Royal York Road, in the Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto, (hereinafter called "Riverside") and as such have knowledge of the matters deposed to herein.

2. During the period commencing June 17, 1975 to and including June 20, 1975, either myself or a senior employee of Riverside, attended at all times in the Badgerow Cemetery and caused all human remains located in the irregular area commencing at a point 282 feet east of Bayview Avenue along the northerly boundary of the subject lands which area was 118 feet on the north by 38 feet on the east by 143 feet on the south by 121 feet on the west, to be removed therefrom for interment in Buttonville Cemetery.

A careful search of the said irregular area has been made by myself and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there are no further human remains now located in the said irregular area.

4. I make this affidavit in support of an application to close Badgerow Cemetery.

SWORN before me in the)
Municipality of Metro-)
politan Toronto in the)
Province of Ontario this)
26th day of June, 1975.) Joseph Lynn Graham (signed)

Item No. 3. A letter dated July 24th, 1975, dictated and signed by J. L. Graham, Managing Director, Riverside Cemetery Company Limited, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, was sent to Mr. McCoy, Department of Consumer and Commerical Relations, Cemeteries Branch, 950 Yonge Street, Toronto, Ontario. The message was as follows:

We Commenced on Tuesday 17th, June 1975 to search the Badgrow Cemetery being part of Lot 7, Concession 2, Town of Markham.

There was only one marker in the area indicated so we searched by hand and hack-hoe in our normal pattern an area 282 feet in from Bayview Avenue. The area consisted of 118 feet along the North Boundary, then approximately South East for 38 feet, then approximately South West 143 feet then approximately 121 feet to the north.

The marker already mentioned, in the name of Martimas Badgerow, was roughly in the middle of this area and the remains of three adults and two children were found and we are of the opinion that we found all who had been interred in that area. In all, we trenched 1275 feet.

Addendum: Ba:

The remains were transferred to Buttonville Cemetery and interred in the Badgerow lot in that cemetery. A commemorative plaque is being made and will be placed on the Badgerow lot when completed. The operation was completed at noon on Friday 20th, June 1975 to the satisfaction of the representative of the M.O.H. of the Regional Municipality Health Unit. The usual affidavit was sworn and was picked up by Mr. Robert Whittaker of Costains Estates Ltd. A member of the Markham Historical Society was in attendance at all times.

J. L. Graham (signature)

Item No. 4. The Court Order.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF YORK

HIS HONOUR) MONDAY, THE 15th DAY
)
JUDGE CORNISH) OF SEPTEMBER, 1975

IN THE MATTER OF The Cemeteries Act, R.S.O. 1970, Chapter 57;

AND IN THE MATTER OF the removal of human remains from the Cemetery of Martinais Badgerow, situate on the east side of Bayview Avenue and being composed of part of Lot 7, in the 2nd Concession of the Town of Markham,

(hereinafter referred to as "Badgerow Cemetery")

ORDER

UPON the application of the owner, Costain Estates Limited, and upon reading the Affidavit of Joseph Lynn Graham, filed, and upon hearing Counsel for the applicant:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the owner has removed from the Badgerow Cemetery and reinterred as provided in the Cemeteries Act all the remains which with the exercise of reasonable diligence it has been able to find buried in said cemetery in compliance with Section 59(7) of that Act.

DATED at Toronto this 15th day of September, 1975.

F. J. Cornish, J.

JUDGE

ENTERED O.B. No. 265
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Item No. 5. Letter signed by John G. Armstrong, representing McMillan, Binch Barristers and Solicitors, Royal Bank Building, 20 King Street West, Toronto, Ontario (M5H 1C8), was addressed to Cameron R. Stewart (great-great-great-grandson of MARTINAS BADGEROW, VI.15., Progenitor Ba:A.) and was dated September 13, 1976.

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter of August 31st last.

The remains of your ancestors were reinterred at Buttonville Cemetery in the Town of Markham on Friday, June 20, 1975. We enclose a copy of the affidavit of Mr. Joseph Graham which was sworn in support of an application to close Badgerow Cemetery, together with a copy of the Order of His Honour Judge Cornish certifying that Section 59(7) of the Cemeteries Act has been complied with. The Judge's Order has the effect of certifying that the provisions of Ontario law respecting disinterment and reinterment of bodies have been satisfied.

As you were informed in a letter dated April 9, 1975 from Mr. R. McCoy, Chief Inspector, Cemeteries Branch, Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations, our client, Costain Estates Limited, volunteered to erect a plaque to commemorate the Badgerow history. A bronze plaque, measuring 24 inches by 18 inches, has been erected at the Buttonville gravesite and the text of the message on that plaque is:

> Here lies the remains of Martinaes Badgerow and 4 members of the family, an early pioneer family to the Town of Markham. The family first came to Markham in 1837 and settled on a farm on Lot 7, Concession 2, in the Thornlea area. The remains of the family were moved in June, 1975.

We have also enclosed a copy of the final report prepared by Mr. Joseph Graham for the Cemeteries Branch of the Ministry of Consumer and Commerical Relations.

Yours sincerely,

John G. Armstrong (signature)

JGA:sb

Enclosures

Item No. 6. This writer and descendant of **Martinas Badgerow** intends to replace the commemorative plaque so generously "donated" by Costain Estates Limited with a more correctly worded memorial to our ancestors **Martinas** and **Margaret** from whom hundreds of Canadians and Americans now living in various rural and urban communities from coast-to-coast have descended.

Boadwin Correspondence

Ba:AHCdAA. Philip Bruce Boadwin, b 11.11.1952, Brampton, ON, m 2.4.1976, Kathy Field, CH:

Ba:AHCdAAA. Jason Philip Boadwin, b 8.15.1976, Hamilton, ON.

Census Report

HANNAH (BADGEROW) BENTLEY SARLES (Anc. V.8.), Ba:Aa., and Elizabeth (Sarles) Wilson, Ba:Aai., Sa:CDm., in 1881. Ref: **1881 CR**, Ontario, Canada; Ontario Co. (South), Twp of Whitby West, p 49, Family 220 (223?); MFR C-13244, PAC, Ottawa.

HANNAH "SEARES," ae 78 y, widow, was living with her daughter Elizabeth and family in 1881.

Alexander Wilson, ae 39 y (1881), b ON, C. Meth rel., Scotch origin, Farmer, and wife Elizabeth, ae 31 y, previously identified as Elizabeth Jane (Betty) Sarles (dtr of WILLIAM and HANNAH) and classified as Sa: CDm., Ba:Aai., are believed to be the parents of these children whose names appear in the **1881 CR**:

William A. Wilson, ae 12 y;
Ida M. Wilson, ae 10;
Frances E. Wilson, ae 7;
Elena A. Wilson, ae 5;
Thomas J. Wilson, ae 3; and
Louise A. Wilson, ae 1 y.

The name of Olive Wilson, dtr of Alex. and Betty, did not appear in the **1881 CR** because her birth was on 12.16.1881 (1890?), thus occurring after the census had been taken. One of the two children believed to have died in infancy likely was the one named Louise A. Wilson, ae 1 y. Revision of the classification of this family may be as follows: (1) Louise A. Wilson (formerly unidentified), now Ba:Aaif., Sa:CDmf.; (2) Olive Wilson (formerly Ba:Aaif., Sa:CDmf.), now Ba:Aaig., Sa:CDmg. (with corresponding changes recommended for the classification of her descendants).

Joseph Ferrier, Ba:AeG., and Elizabeth (Ferrier) Badgero(w), Ba:Aef., in 1881. Ref: **1881 CR**, Ontario, Canada; York Co. (East), Markham Twp - C5, p 26, Families 123 and 124.

Joseph Ferrier, Ba:AeG., and his sister Elizabeth (Ferrier) Badgero(w), Ba:Aef., have been identified *via* the **1881 CR**; but other members of these two families have not been (see also p 601, Ba:A.).

Family 123. Ferrier, Joseph, ae 34 y (1881), b ON, Can Meth rel., Scotch, Farmer, and wife Elizabeth, ae 37 y, b ON, English; CH named: Alfretta A. Ferrier, ae 6 y, b ON; and Mary Gordelia Ferrier, ae 3 y, b ON.

Family 124. "Badgero," John, ae 35 y, b ON, Can Pres rel, Irish, Farmer, and wife Elizabeth, ae 36 y, b ON, Can Pres rel., Scotch; CH named: Ida S. Farrier, ae 12 y, b ON; and "Scharlott" O. E. Farrier, ae 4 y, b ON.

Ferrier re-union of descendants of **David and Mary (Sabins) Ferrier**, early-1800 settlers in Markham Twp. was scheduled for August 22, 1981, by the Markham District Historical Museum, Markham L3P 3J3, Ontario, Canada.

Obituary

Ba:BBFB. Sir G. W. Badgerow, British Specialist, "Obituary," **The New York Times**, Monday, May 10, 1937, page 19, column 5.

> Physician Stricken in London Cab on His Way to Rail Station — He Was 65. Honored for Army Work. Service to Troops Brought 1928 Knighthood — Aided Military Hospitals During War. London, May 9 (Canadian Press) Sir George W. Badgerow. one of the empire's most noted ear, nose and throat specialists and a native of Toronto, died suddenly today. He was 65 years old.
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> He was stricken while in a taxicab bound for Waterloo Station. When the driver opened the door at the station he found Sir George slumped on the floor. The doctor was rushed to St. Thomas Hospital, where he was pronounced dead.
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> Last night Sir George was the guest of the Hon. Herbert Bruce, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, and today was on his way to visit S. McInnerney, London manager of the Royal Bank of Canada, at his home at Sunningdale. He had been active up to his death. Last Tuesday he attended a dinner given by the Canadian Club of London to Prime Minister MacKenzie King. Sir George was honorary secretary of the club.
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> He received his knighthood in 1928 in recognition of his services to Canadian and imperial troops.
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> Sir George was born in 1872, the son of A. Harrington Badgerow of Toronto, and was educated at Upper Canada College, Toronto, and Edinburgh Universities and University College Hospital, London. He was associated during his career with most of the leading British hospitals.
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> He was a fellow of the Royal Society of Medicine and the Medical Society of London, and vice-president of the British Medical Association. He published a number of papers dealing with treatment of the nose, throat, and ear.
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> During the World War, Sir George was an honorary lieutenant colonel in the Canadian Army Medical Corps and was mentioned in despatches. He was also consulting surgeon to the King's Canadian Hospital at Bushey and the Daughters of the Empire Officers Hospital during the war, among a number of other military hospitals. He was a member of the Imperial War Graves Commission.

The scene in London on the day Sir George Washington Badgerow (**Ba:BBFB.**) died was one of many excited Englishmen anticipating the Coronation of King George VI in Westminster Abbey just two days later. Londoners who didn't wish to brave the crowds could view the televised street procession as it passed Apsley Gate at Hyde Park Corner. Television of the Coronation itself was banned.

Marriage Records

Marriage Records of Badgero(w) Descendants were found in the **Ontario County Marriage Register, 1858-1869**, ON, Canada, and transcribed by William E. Britnell, Mississauga, ON.

(1) Vol. **1**, page **88. Benajamin Dafoe** of Thurlow, age 26, b Thurlow, CW, son of Abraham and Urtle Dafoe, m 12.25.1860, to **Frances Bentley** of Whitby, age 23, b Canada, dtr of **MIRON** and **HANNAH BENTLEY**; wit: Hugh Burtes and Isabela Nichols, both of Whitby; Minister, Gardner Wells.

I-C: Frances Bentley, Be:FDDDABf., Ba:Aaf., dtr of **MIRON BENTLEY, V.7., Be:FDDDAB.,** and **HANNAH BADGEROW, V.8., Ba:Aa.**

(2) **1:128. George Sandford** of Brock, age 26, b England, son of Thomas and Elizabeth Adam (?), m 1.31.1860, to **Eliza A. Badjero** of Brock, age 18, b Canada, dtr of **Jasten Badgero** and **Barb'a Stoner**; wit: John McCraig of Thorah; Minister, David Watson.

I-C: Eliza A. Badgero(w) (unidentified), dtr of **Justin Badg(e)ro(w)** (unidentified).

(3) **1:139. James Winmill** of Whitby, b Quebec, son of **Thomas Winmill** and **Sarah Fossil**, m 1.17.1861, to **ALMIRA BENTLEY SARLES** of Whitby, age 25, b Pickering, dtr of **MIRON BENTLEY** and **HANNAH BADGEROW**; wit: John Lee and Alexander Wilson, both of Whitby; Minister Thomas Sharp of As(h)burn.

I-C: ALMIRA BENTLEY, IV.4., Be:FDDDABe., Ba:Aae., widow of **JOHN SARLES, IV.3., Sa:CDJ., Sh:AeJ.,** m secondly **James Winmill. ALMIRA BENTLEY** was the dtr of **MIRON BENTLEY, V.7., Be:FDDDAB.,** and **HANNAH BADGEROW, V.8., Ba:Aa.**

(4) **2:12. Charles T. Noble** of Georgina, age 32, b Canada, son of **Ambrose Noble** and **Hannah Badgerow**, m 5.20.1863, to Mgt. S. Johnston of Georgina, b Georgina, dtr of Wm Johnston and Rosanna Smally; wit: Wm Fry of Sutton; Minister, David Watson.

I-C: Charles Thompson Noble, Ba:BaD., son of **Hannah Badgerow, Ba:Ba. (Justin's** dtr).

(5) **2:30. John H. Bessie** of Pickering, age 22, b New Brunswick, son of Arthur L. and Ann Bessie, m 9.1.1864, to **Susannah Badgero** of Markham (age not included), b Markham, dtr of **David** and **Elizabeth Badgero**; wit: Joshua Bundy of Claremont; Minister, William Lacey of Claremont.

(6) **I-C: Susannah Badg(e)ro(w)** (unidentified), dtr of **David Badg(e)ro(w)** (unidentified).

(6) **3:2 Hugh Wilson** of Whitby Twp, 25, b Scotland, son of Hugh Wilson and Elizabeth McTink (sp?), m 4.30.1867, to **Hannah Sarles** of Whitby Twp,

age 20, b Pickering, dtr of **WILLIAM SARLES** and **HANNAH BADGEROW**; wit: Alex Wilson and **Elizabeth Sarles**, both of Whitby; Minister, Alexander Kennedy of Dunbarton.

I-C: Hannah Sarles, Sa:CD1., Ba:Aah., dtr of **WILLIAM SARLES, JR., V.5., Sa:CD.**, and **HANNAH BADGEROW, V.8., Ba:Aa.**

(7) 3:26. Alex'r Wilson of West Whitby, age 25, b Scarborough, son of Alex'r and Agnes Wilson; m 5.25.1868, to **E. J. Sarles** of West Whitby, age 19, b West Whitby, dtr of **WILLIAM** and **HANNAH SARLES**; wit: Adah Wilson of W. Whitby; Minister, John B. Edmundson, Presbyterian.

I-C:Elizabeth Jane Sarles, Sa:CDm., Ba:Aai.

Marriage Records of selected Badgerow descendants named in other **County Marriage Registers, 1858-1869**, were searched by W. Britnell, Mississauga, ON.

Ba:A. Desc.(?). Nathan Sheffield m a **Nancy Badgrow (Ba:Ab.)** (**?**); uncertain identity exists as to which Nancy (1 of 3) she is. Marriages of three of their children were recorded:

(1) **Margret Sheffield**, age 21, of Whitchurch, born Canada, dtr of Nathan and **Nancy A. Sheffield**, m 5.29.1861, Joseph Thorley, age 33, of Whitchurch, born England, son of John and Esther Thorley; witness was **Isaac Badgrow, Whitchurch. York County Marriage Register**, Vol. 1, p. 339, "Marriages of James Norris, Wesleyan Methodist, Markham." **Ident. of Isaac Badgrow?**

(2) **Gordon Sheffield**, age 24, of King, born Markham, son of Nathan and **Nancy Sheffield**, m 7.23.1866, Mary Marshall, age 17, of Oro, born Oro, dtr of Richd and Cecilia Marshall; wit: A. J. Gibson, Aurora. **York County Marriage Register**, Vol. 3, p. 52, "Marriages of J. H. McCollum of Aurora."

(3) **Eli Sheffield**, age 20, of Whitchurch, born Markham, son of Nathan and **Nancy**, m --.--.1866, Adaline Herman, age 17, of Toronto, born King, dtr of Henry and Mary; wit: ---. **Peel County Marriage Register**, Vol. --, p. 88, "Marriages of William Philip and Thomas McMullen, Wesleyan Methodist."

Ba:B. Desc. (?): Ambrose Noble m Hannah Badgerow, Justin's dtr. Marriages of four of their children were recorded:

(4) **Jesse Noble (Ba:Bab.)**, age 33, of Pickering, born Markham, son of Ambrose and **Hannah Noble**, m 2.1.1860, Susannah Button, age 28, of Markham, born Markham, dtr of Francis and Anne Button; wit: Abraham Nichols and Mary Wilmot, both of Markham. **York County Marriage Register**, Vol. 1, p. 259, "Marriages of Stephen Morley and predecessors John D. Yenney and Uriel Graves, Evangelical Association" (i.e. Lutheran).

(5) **Nancy Noble**, age 27, of Markham, born Markham, dtr of Ambrose Noble and **Harriet** (error for **Hannah**) **Bargerow** (i.e. **Badgerow**), m 7.19.1864, Alexr Thos Whaley, age 28, of Markham, born Markham, son of

Thos Whaley and Mary Richie; wit: Harriet Noble of Markham. **York County Marriage Register**, Vol. 2, p. 389, "Marriages of Nathaniel Paterson, Can. Presb. Church." **Ident.:** Nancy Noble as **Ba:Bag.**; Hannah Badgerow, **Ba:Ba.**

(6) **Harvey Noble**, age 26, of Markham, born Canada, son of Andw (error for Ambrose) and **Hannah Noble**, m 2.15.1867, Maria Lundy, of Markham, born U. States, dtr of Jas and Sarah Lundy; wit: A. D. and F. Bredin, both of Markham. **York County Marriage Register**, Vol. 2, p. 263, "Marriages of John Bredin, Wesleyan Methodist, Richmond Hill." **Ident.:** Harvey Noble, **Ba:BaH.**; Hannah (Badgerow) Noble, **Ba:Ba.**

(7) **Alice Noble**, of Markham, m 5.1.1862, Donald MacKay, of Markham; wit: **Harvey Noble** and **Nancy Noble. York County Marriage Register**, Vol. 2, p. 119, "Marriages of Rev. S. J. Hill, Anglican, Markham." **Ident.:** Alice Noble, **Ba:Bai.**; Harvey Noble, **Ba:BaH.**; and Nancy Noble, **Ba:Bag.**

Another Ba:B. Desc: (8) **Geo. Washington Badjerron** (spelling corruption for **Badgerow**), age 25, of Toronto, b Markham, son of **Martin Badjeron** (**Badgerow**, i.e.) and Eliza Harrington, m 1.23.1867, Rachel Jane Mullholland, age 22, of York, born York, dtr of Wm Mullholland and Eliz. Wallace; wit: Wm Mulholland, York and Wm Badgeron (Badgerow, *i.e.*), Scott. **Toronto City Marriage Register**, vol. 2, p. 31, "Marriage of Rev. John Jennings, Can. Presb. Church." **Ident.:** George Washington Badgerow (**Ba:BBG.**), son of Martin.

Census Reports of 1881

(1) **Badgerow, Oliver**, Ba:BDF.
Ref.: **1881 CR**, Ontario, Canada; Ontario Co. (North), Uxbridge Twp - Al, Family 77; MF Reel C-13244, PAC, Ottawa.

Oliver Badgerow, Ba:BDF., ae 22 y, b ON, W. Meth. rel., U.S. origin, gentleman; his wife Elizabeth, ae 30 y, b NF, E.E. rel., English origin.

Keziah (Bevins) Badgerow, widow of David Badgerow, Ba:??. Ref: **1881 CR**, Ontario, Canada; York Co. (East), Markham Twp - Cl, p 32, Family 163; MF Reel C-13248, PAC, Ottawa.

(2) "Kaziah Badgero," widow, ae 84 y (1881), b US, Baptist rel, Scotch origin. Keziah is identified as the widow of David Badgerow (tent. class. Ba:??.) (see pp 693-4, 665 - T.43.). In 1881 she was living with family-head Sarah Boyce, widow, b US, Baptist, Scotch, and Elijah Boyce, ae 29 y, b ON, Can Meth rel, Scotch, farm laborer.

Joseph Badgerow, Ba:??D., and family in 1881. Ref: **1881: CR**, Ontario Canada; York Co. (East), Markham Twp - C3, p 27, Family 128.

(3) **Joseph Badgerow** (Ba:??D.; see also pp 693-4), 51, b ON, Bapt, German origin, with wife Mary, 43, b Eng., are believed by this searcher to be the parents of these children named:

Tentative
Classification

Ba:??Da. Rachel Badgerow, ae 23 y.

Ba:??DC. (illegible name), male, ae 16 y.

Ba:??DD. Robert Badgerow, male, ae 15 y.

Ba:??DE. Ralph Badgerow, male, ae 12 y.

Ba:??Df. Harriet (legibility?) Badgerow, female, ae 4 y.

Unidentified Badgerow

Martin Badgerow, twp of Scarboro, York Co., Ontario, Canada, petitioned the Surrogate Court, York Co., that **David Badgerow**, late of Tillsonberg, Oxford Co., farmer, d 1856, leaving him surviving his Wife since deceased and leaving **Martin Wilbert Badgerow** his natural and lawful child the said **Martin Wilbert Badgerow** being an infant now of age Eighteen years and that the said **Martin W. Badgerow** resides in the Twp of Scarboro, York Co. **David Badgerow** d intestate and without appointing any Curator or Guardian of the said infant. The petitioner applied to be appointed Guardian; he is the Natural Uncle and one of the next-of-kin of the said Infant. He was appointed Guardian on Feb. 14, 1873.

Ident. and Class. (?).

Austin George's Interview

Reference to page 700:
Bd:??aAEAa. Sylvia G. George, Austin's dtr, m 12.1.1978, Seattle, WA, to Ronald Gaylord Westerland; res (1979): 320 W. Republican St., Seattle, where her father Austin manages an apt. bldg. The burial of her mother's ashes was in Masonic Cem., Olympia, WA.

Badgerow Found in London

Ba:BBFBA. Derek George Badgerow, compiler and son of Sir George W. Badgerow, was located in 1983, living at 26 Victoria Grove, London, England W8, by Mrs. Fred (Hazel) Badgerow of 7006-22nd Ave., Kenosha, WI 53140.

Mi:ABdgbaadB. Torbjørn Gotskalksson Trodo, b 1867, d 1925, m Anna Sjursdatter Dolve. He lived as a farmer at Skulestad; their seven CH: Kristi, Mattis, Brita, Gotskalk, Anna, Gunvor, and Sjur; their DESC (compare with pages 821-2):

Mi:ABdgbaadBa. Kristi Torbjørnsdatter (Kristi Ringham Traa), b 8.27.1888, Voss, Norway; m 9.8.1915, St. Paul, MN, to Delbert Arlington Foster (son of Fred Eugene Foster and wife Libby), b 3.10.1884, Alden, MN, d 11.15.1952, Ellendale, MN. Kristi came to America in 1906. They lived in Albert Lea, MN, and in Ellendale, MN (her 1975 res); 5 CH: Orvis, Phyllis, Fred, Betty, and Isabel Foster; DESC:

Mi:ABdgbaadBaA. Orvis Robert Foster, b 11.21.1916, Albert Lea, MN, m 6.5.1941, Ellendale to Helen Annette Nelson; res (1975): Ellendale, MN; 2 CH: Frances and Mark Foster.

Mi:ABdgbaadBaAa. Frances Kay Foster, b 1.20.1946, Albert Lea, MN, m Orrin Jay Bakke of Albert Lea; res (1975): 1016 Ramsey St., Hastings, MN 55033; 2 CH:

Mi:ABdgbaadBaAaa. Ann Elizabeth Bakke, b 11.12.1966, Albert Lea.

Mi:ABdgbaadBaAaB. Christopher Joseph Bakke, b 6.22.1972, Owatonna, MN.

Mi:ABdgbaadBaAB. Mark J. Foster, b 9.28.1948, Albert Lea, MN, m Karol Joan Pedersen, b 11.10.1949, Hartland, MN **genealogical informant** of Kristi's DESC by telephone (8.29.1975) (verified in Kristi's letter of 9.4.1975); res (1975): RR2, Ellendale, MN 56026; CH:

Mi:ABdgbaadBaABA. Michael James Foster, b 4.21.1974, Faribault, MN.

Mi:ABdgbaadBab. Phyllis Janette Foster, b 5.31.1918, Albert Lea, Freeborn Co., MN; m 12.31.1941 to Andrew Norman Pechacek, b 10.12.1914; res (1975): 524 E. 4th St., Albert Lea, MN; 4 CH:

Mi:ABdgbaadBabA. Norman Andrew Pechacek, b 4.16.1974, Geneva, Freeborn, MN; m 9.2.1972, Albert Lea, MN to Cynthia Nelson.

Mi:ABdgbaadBabB. Noel Foster Pechacek, b 12.17.1949, Freeborn Co., MN.

Mi:ABdgbaadBabC. Miles Lynn Pechacek, b 7.20.1953, Albert Lea Twp., Freeborn Co., MN.

MABdgbaadBabD. Vance Barton Pechacek, b 1.15.1959, Albert Lea Twp., Freeborn Co., MN.

Mi:ABdgbaadBaC. Fred Eugene Foster, b 10.25.1919, Albert Lea, MN; d 6.28.1975, Babbitt, MN from a sudden heart attack; m 1.10.1942, Ellendale to Anna P. Ferguson, b 8.30.1919, Ellendale, MN; 3 CH:

Mi:ABdgbaadBaCA. James Fredrick Foster, b 11.16.1942, Albert Lea, MN, m 6.12.1965, Babbitt, MN, to Kathleen Sue Howell; res (1975): 55 Ash Blvd, Babbitt, MN 55706; CH:

Mi:ABdgbaadBaCAA. Sidney James Foster, b 5.16.1966, Babbitt, MN.

Mi:ABdgbaadBaCAB. Fred Eugene Foster, b 3.22.1968, Babbitt, MN.

Mi:ABdgbaadBaCb. Joan Marie Foster, b 2.14.1950, Waukegan, IL, m Leland J. Warner, St. Paul, MN; res: Roseville, MN.

Mi:ABdgbaadBaCC. Paul T. Foster, b 1.31.1954, Albert Lea, MN, res: 38 Aspen Lane, Babbitt, MN 55706.

Mi:ABdgbaadBad. Elizabeth A. (Betty) Foster, b 7.27.1922, Albert Lea, m 9.8.1946, Ellendale to Howard F. Myers; res (1975): Beuford, MN; P.O. address: Good Thunder, MN; 3 CH:

Mi:ABdgbaadBadA. Dennis Howard Myers, b 6.30.1947, Mankato, MN, m 6.7.1969 to Sandra O'Connor, res (1975): Mapleton, MN 56065; CH:

Mi:ABdgbaadBadAA. Todd Howard Myers, b 7.6.1970, Mankato, MN.

Mi:ABdgbaadBadAb. Melissa Sharon Myers, b 2.11.1972, Mankato, MN.

Mi: ABdgbaadBadAC. Mathew Cimarron Myers, b 3.15.1975, Mankato, MN.

Mi:ABdgbaadBadb. Donna Jean Myers, b 2.1.1950, Mankato, MN, d 11.12.1958.

Mi:ABdgbaadBadC. John Charles Myers, b 4.24.1954, Mankato, MN, m 1.12.173, to Roxanne DeVlaeminck; CH:

Mi:ABdgbaadBadCa. Tammy Jo Myers, b 1.25.1973, Mankato, MN.

Mi:ABdgbaadBae. Isabel L. Foster, b 7.15.1924, Albert Lea, MN, d 6.2.1970, Bismarck, ND, m Roger R. Matzke, b 11.15.1945, Mankato, MN; 4 sons:

Mi:ABdgbaadBaeA. Rodney Matzke, b 2.1.1949, Bismarck, ND, m 7.27.1968 to Magdalina Anderst; res (1975): 1316 Albany Drive, Bismarck; CH:

Mi:ABdgbaadBaeAA. Bradley Matzke

Mi:ABdgbaadBaeAb. Michelle Isabel Matzke

Mi:ABdgbaadBaeAc. Christina Matzke, b 1.27.73.

Mi:ABdgbaadBaeB. Rick Matzke, b 5.28.1951, Mankato, MN; U.S. Air Force (1975); m 5.18.1974, Bismarck, ND to Debra Sabot; CH:

Mi:ABdgbaadBaeBA. Douglas Rick Matzke, b 5.18.1975.

Mi:ABdgbaadBaeC. David Harold Matzke, b 8.10.1953, Mankato, MN.

Mi:ABdgbaadBaeD. Lynn L. Matzke, b 5.29.1956, Bismarck, ND.

Addendum: Mi: Gj:

Correspondence

Mi:ABdgbaadBfb., Gj:adBfb. Marta **Margreta** Torbjørnsdatter Traa (see p. 774), in 1977, became Mrs. Margreta (Traa) Pedersen, 5710 Skulestadmo, Norway (Voss).

OSMUNDSDATTER — KNUTSON

Census Reports

Federal Census Report of 1900, Traill Co., ND (Buxton Twp).

Os:ak. Sigrid Knutson, b Sept. 1867, WI, f & m b Norway, age 32 y, can read, write, and speak English; m 12 y to Knut Nomland, b Oct. 1853 (46 y old, 1900), Norway, son of Norwegian-born parents. He could read, write, and speak English. He immigrated to the US in 1861. Of 4 CH b, 4 CH were living in Buxton Twp., Traill Co., ND, 1900 (CR: Dwell. #55, Family 56):

OS:akA. Julian Nomland, son, b Aug. 1888, ND.

Os:akB. Kemper Nomland, son, b Aug. 1892, ND.

Os:akC. Harald Nomland, son, b Jan. 1897, ND.

Os:akD. Ruben Nomland, son, b March 1899, ND.

A household servant is named as Minnie Olson, b March 1880, MN, dtr of parents b Norway.

See page 930 of the **Os:** Family Group.

Frøysnes

Regarding the Frøysnes farm (p. 885) in Setesdal and the derivation of its name from Frøy, see the photograph of an ancient figurine of Frøy on the cover of **Archaeology** magazine, July 1979.

Osmund Osmundson, Os:I.

Osmund Osmundson (Os:I.), Private Soldier, Company A, 4th Regiment, MN Infantry, and youngest brother of MARGIT OSMUNDSDATTER KNUTSON (**Os:a.**), was in the Battle of **Iuka, MS**, 9.19.1862, and in the Battle of Corinth, MS, 10.3 and 10.4.1862, having been wounded on 10.4.1862.

Note (Corrigendum): On pages 896-7, "Inka" should read "Iuka." **Iuka**, located in the NE corner of MS. 20 mi. ESE of Corinth, was the scene of battle on 9.19.1862, when Union troops under General Rosencrans attacked a Confederate force under General Price.[1] **Corinth**, MS. was the scene of severe fighting on 10.3 and 10.4.1862, when Union forces under Rosencrans repulsed Confederates under Van Dorn.[2]

[1] **Webster's New Geographical Dictionary**, 1977, p. 558.

[2] **Ibid.**, p. 290.

Addendum: Appendix B:

BEVERLY ROBINSON AND JOHN JAY

Source: Chorley, E. Clowes, **History of St. Philip's Church in the Highlands, Garrison, New York**, New York: E. S. Gorham, 1912, "Appendix Addenda." See pages 971-4.

The above book was referred to again in a second copy seen by this searcher in the Widener Library, Harvard University, July 1977. The additional note on Beverly Robinson[1] was located in the "Appendix Addenda." It may be of interest to the reader.

> Since going to press the original manuscript of the Minutes of the Committee before which **Colonel Beverly Robinson** was summoned has been discovered amongst the archives preserved in Washington's Headquarters, Newburgh, N. Y., and they are here transcribed by the courtesy of the Trustees.
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> **Feb 22, 1777.** Beverly Robinson Esq appeared before the Committee appointed by the Convention of the State of New York for enquiring into Detecting and Defeating all conspiracies that may be framed against the Liberties of the Same and the Board of Commissioners appointed by the Convention for the same purpose.
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> Present
> **John Jay Esq**[2]
> Judge Graham
> Natha Sackett members of committee
>
> Colonel Swartwout
> Egbert Benson
> Malancton Smith Commissioners.
>
> he was interigated in the following manner Viz't
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> **Mr Jay**—Sir, you having observed an Equivocal neutrality thro' the course of your conduct the Committee is at a Loss to know how to Rank you
>
> **Mr. Robinson**—Sir it is True, at first I offered my Servis to the publick but they Did not think it proper to Chuse me Since Which Time I have made my Self Prisoner on my farm in order to keep my self from a necessity of expressing my sentiments.
>
> **Mr Jay**—Sir, your son has gone to New York to the enemy

[1]Colonel Beverly Robinson was commanding officer, during the Revolutionary War, of the Loyal American Regiment, a regiment of American Loyalists of Tories, one of whom was **WILLIAM SHARRARD, VI.11., Progenitor Sh:A.** of the Sharrard Family Group.

[2]John Jay, who was b 12.12.1745, New York City, and d 5.17.1829, Bedford, NY, was one of the learned and accomplished statesmen of his day, an outstanding founding father of the nation, and the first chief justice of the United States.

Mr.Robinson—No, Sir, he is gone to Long Island

Mr. Jay—Sir, the Committee is informed that when your Son was about Taking a Commission you was much Displeased at it.

Mr. Robinson—I was not Sir but I believe that the committees through their Severity have made a Great many Tories for it is natural when a man is hurt to kick

Mr Jay—Sir, we have passed the Rubicon and it is now necessary every man Take his part, Cast off allegiance to the King of Great Britain and take an oath of Allegiance to the States of america or Go over to the Enemy for we have Declared ourselves Independent

Mr Robinson—Sir, I cannot Take the Oath, but should be exceeding Glad to stay in the Country, to enable me to stay in the Country, and expecting that there would be a great Deal of Trouble about the forts in the Spring I have already sent some of my Goods farther Back in the Country to patersons (Paterson) and I should be Extremely unhappy in being obliged to go over to the enemy for I have no way to mentain my family there but I have here. If I go to the enemy can I carry with me any of my effects? it is very uncertain who will Rule yet for the matter is not determined.

Mr Jay—yes, Sir, undoubtedly you can carry your effects but we Dont Desire you Sir to give your answer now we would Chuse that you Should take time to Consider of the matter before you give your answer for I can assure you Sir without flattery we sould be exceedingly happy to have you with us

(**mr Benson** then Laboured much to Shew **mr Robinson** the propriety of the measures and the great pleasure it would give us, to have him with us)

Mr Robinson—how long before I must give my answer a Day or Two

Mr Jay—no Sir, you need not hurry your Self you can Take a month or Six weeks

Mr Robinson—you Gentlemen are not Ingaged on Sundays, will you come and see me one Sunday

Mr Jay—I am obliged to you Sir but I dont Expect to be here long

Mr Benson—I am much obliged to you Sir and will Do myself the Pleasure of coming to see you one Sunday

Mr. Robinson then (retired)

N.B.—This manuscript record was presented to Washington's Headquarters by the late **Colonel Isaiah Townsend.**

A SPECIAL NOTE OF THANKS

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This writer very deeply appreciates the aid rendered by his mother Mrs. Ralph J. (Vinnie M. Gjere) Stewart (**Gj:aFEa., Os:ama.**) who placed most of the page numbers after selected names alphabetized in the first index and helped to alphabetize names in the second index. Recognized also is Ethel Lindfelt's earlier aid in alphabetizing a portion of Index I.

PERSPECTIVES

When, where, and how does a helpful person's influence begin? While a senior high school student in 1944, this individual was introduced to a version of the Linnean system of animal and plant classification based upon structural similarities as taught by Shattuck School biology teacher Ogden Poole. Later, at the University of North Dakota at Grand Forks, biology professor George Wheeler explained taxonomy. In 1952, U.C.L.A. genetics professor Hinton's assignment was to trace selected inherited-traits among Norwegian-American and Canadian-American relatives. In 1960, this searcher's genealogy began in earnest.

In the summer of 1965, during the fifteenth Annual Genealogical Institute sponsored by American University, Washington, DC, among the most influential persons to affect this participant's thinking were Dr. Jean Stephenson, Frank Bridgers, Milton Rubincam, and John Coddington. Among the "neophyte" searchers in the National Archives at the time was Afro-American searcher Alex Haley, who was attempting to gather the necessary documentary-evidence to link his selected ancestors in a trace that was later to take him across the Atlantic Ocean into The Gambia in West Africa. Haley's epic **Roots**, an historic novel written as the result of his genealogical research, has been printed in 35 different languages and placed into the hands of over 2,000,000 eager recipients (1979).

In the summer of 1977, as a participant in the Family History Seminar cosponsored by Harvard University and the New England Historic Genealogical Society, this searcher was inspired by Society Director James Bell and guest lecturers John Coddington and Milton Rubincam. The many years of search and research of genealogists and historians of the past and the cooperative efforts of strategically related and/or located contemporary-searchers throughout Canada and the U.S. during the past two decades have certainly helped to make this genealogical publication a reality. A trained genealogist is prepared to benefit from serendipity.

This writer cannot overemphasize the importance of teamwork, the cooperation among searchers and researchers willing to contribute many hours in the pusuit of meaningful data of genealogical significance. The contributions made by both the currently active persons and the now-deceased persons will hopefully assist future readers in their attempts to stop the world to get their genealogical bearings. As a result this thoroughly researched compilation represents a superb family-treasure — a veritable gold mine of genealogical information.

RALPH J. STEWART, IN MEMORIAM

Dad led a lonely life after Mother's passing on June 13, 1980; often he grieved the loss of his wonderful wife. Slowly he adjusted to living in Long Beach, CA, in a single room with bath, eating his meals with other men and women in similar circumstances, and receiving somewhat limited nursing care for his arteriosclerotic condition. Although he could get from one place to another using his walker, his walking deteriorated. On the morning of October 4, 1983, while in the hall going to breakfast, in the senior residence, he fell suddenly. The laceration on the back of his left hand required 15 stitches to close. Large bruises soon appeared on his arms. Just the day before, his son Jack and grandson David from Minnesota had visited him.

On October 13, he was placed under the care of a doctor at a convalescent home in Glendora. He received sedatives but had difficulty swallowing food. Phlegm forming in his mouth and throat had to be suctioned out. Dehydration followed. He was moved to the San Dimas Community Hospital for intensive care. He had pneumonia.

Sons Jim and Cameron visited him regularly to comfort him and saw him alive for the last time on the evening of November 2. Dad passed away after a cardiac arrest at 10:30 a.m., November 3, 1983, at the age of 87 years 7 months 10 days. According to Dad's wishes, his remains were cremated the 8th of Nov., Altadena. He had also requested interment of his ashes beside Mother's remains in the Cemetery, New Ulm, Minnesota, where during the summer a gravesite ceremony would be conducted by the Methodist minister of his choice. Both parents were loved dearly by their three sons.

In an article published in the New Ulm, Minnesota, newspaper, **The Journal**, November 27, 1983, veteran journalist Bill Macklin wrote these well-chosen words.

NEW ULM BETTER FOR HAVING RALPH STEWART

The 81 members of New Ulm's Lions Club remember Ralph J. Stewart. He was a charter member of the club, which was organized in his insurance office in 1929.

Veterans in the American Legion remember Ralph, who twice served as commander, in 1934 and 1946, and was honored with life membership.

The thinning ranks of the Legion Drill Team, which Ralph started and marched in and saw thrice win the Minneapolis Aquatennial championship, remember him when they toast the good old days at the club.

But all of us need a reminder of his contributions to the good life in New Ulm, his dedication to Americanism, convincing public speaking, fraternalism in his adopted home town.

From Long Beach, California, where he had lived for three years since the death of his wife, Ralph penned some biographical notes for his obituary, having been known as a stickler for accuracy and completeness when summing up a man's career.

His hand was faltering prior to his death this month, and didn't do justice to his legacy for New Ulm. Al Rolloff, local historian, veteran Lion and longtime editor of the club's **Tail Twister** publication, fleshed out the notes.

'Ralph sponsored me into the club 36 years ago,' said Rolloff, 'and exactly 20 years ago he nominated yours truly as editor of the **Tail Twister.**'

Ralph J. Stewart came to New Ulm in 1922 from Drayton, N.D., as high school principal, debate coach and assistant football coach. A fine speaker himself, he coached his 1923 debate team to the state championship, a feat never repeated. On the team were Howard Vogel, later to become a New Ulm physician and for whom the Vogel Arena was named; Clarence A. Rolloff, to become a district judge, and Elizabeth Hintz, to become a registered dietician and who worked at the Mayo Clinic before her marriage to Dr. D. J. Haines.

For many years, he had a sideline to selling insurance, to which he turned from full-time teaching in 1925, of instructing speech students at Cathedral High School.

In the mid-1930s Ralph coached 50 of his Cathedral students to make talks throughout the community in support of a bond issue to build the outdoor municipal swimming pool in German Park. He alluded to that in later years as one of his major community contributions. For that drive, he also led a group of adults knocking on doors to solicit votes. His success as a salesman for New York Life Insurance Company got him many invitations to speak at its conventions on his winning formulas.

His other favorite topics were Americanism, highway safety, hobbies and the danger of communism; and he figured he had spoken on them in every town within 50 miles of New Ulm.

Youth, outside of his professional teaching, also were a specialty. He became an adult leader in Scouting to inspire his three sons,

John, James and Cameron, to become Eagle Scouts, no mean feat, as many fathers will attest to.

Along with fellow Lions and Legionnaires, he helped to start the school patrol to assist children across intersections. When there was a worthy cause, Ralph Stewart regularly answered the call to back it. He was on hand to get out the vote for installing the council-manager city government here 30 years ago, and developing the airport and terminal building.

In Lions, one of his favorite gimmicks — and he enjoyed practical jokes — was presenting 'bull shippers' award to unsuspecting members.

These are some of the pleasant memories of Ralph Stewart who lived so long — 87 — that many around today are unaware of his monuments. As he stated recently in a letter to historian Rolloff: 'A man must continuously count his blessings — not his unfilled wants. Be deeply grateful for them. Be joyful because of them. Dwell on your pleasant memories and forget the unpleasant ones.'

On July 3, 1984, this article appeared in **The Journal**, New Ulm, MN.

A memorial service was held June 30 for Ralph J. Stewart, 87, formerly of New Ulm, who died Nov. 3, 1983, in California. His cremated remains were buried in New Ulm City Cemetery.

He is survived by sons James of Upland, Calif.; Cameron of Long Beach, Calif.; John of Rochester; brother Herbert of Grafton, N.D.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Vinnie, on June 13, 1980. They were married June 30, 1924, in Cando, N.D.

He had been a principal at New Ulm High School and also coached debate and football. For many years he sold life insurance and mutual investment funds in New Ulm. He recently lived in California.

The memorial service was conducted by Rev. Reinking of the First United Methodist Church with James and Cameron attending. An additional private-service was held for John and his immediate family soon after.

SUPPLEMENT

LAST-MINUTE ENTRY, Be:

On August 15, 1984, this compiler received a telephone call from **Thomas W. Bentley** (Be:FBBHCFCAD.) of La Jolla, CA (Be125.). His reference was James C. Bentley (Be:FDDACEHCC.) of Gulf Breeze, FL. Our relationship was established; two days later he sent me data he had compiled over a period of six years. Although documentation has not been pin-pointed, little doubt exists that the following trace is in any serious error. Additional evidence is, of course, welcome.

Caleb Bentley (Be:FBBH.), patriot captain in the Rev. War, m2 Mary Hewitt; his third CH (two by m1):

FBBHC. William Bentley, farmer, b 2.24.1784, Berlin, NY; d 2.24.1845, Veteran, Chemung Co., NY. He m the dtr of Jonathan and Patience (Terry) Greene named Deborah Greene, b 1790, d 10.2.1843, Chemung Co., NY. Wm's Will of 1845 named grandson Mortimer (?). Their 14 CH: (**a**) Sabarina, m 1825 Stephen Rix Gray, res (1845) in Barry, Pike Co., IL; (**b**) Almira, m Dwight Pomeroy, later res in Boseo, Winnebago Co., IL; (**C**) William G., Vienna, Ontario Co., NY (1845 res); (**D**) Alexander (not named in will); (**E**) Carrington (Cushington? "Currington H."); (**F**) **Romulus R. (see below)**; (**g**) Calphera ("Culpirna"); (**h**) Samantha; and (**I**) Caleb T. Bentley, b 1826, d 1890, Corning, NY, **who m first cousin Mary Geanette Bentley (Be:FBBHE?.)**, dtr of his uncle **Darius Bentley** and Hannah, his aunt.

FBBHCF. Romulus R. Bentley, farmer, b 1818, res in Catlin Twp and Horseheads, Chemung Co., NY, m Eliza, b 1831 ca, Ireland. Their 4 CH (1860 CR, etc.): (**A**) William, b 1854, d 1929; (**b**) Theresa D., b 1856; (**C**) **Thomas C. (see below)**; and (**d**) Mary Bentley.

FBBHCFC. Thomas C. Bentley, miner and prospector, b 1858, Chemung Co., NY, d 9.11.1931, Tucson, AZ (d cert.). He m 1895 ca, Juana Soveranes, Francisco's dtr, b 6.24.1867, El Fuerte, Sonora, Mexico, who d Tucson, AZ, bur Holy Hope Cemetery. Their six CH: (**A**) **Thomas S. (see below)**; (**b**) Elizabeth, b 1898, Minas Prietas, Sonora, Mexico, m Eugenio Rodriquez; (**C**) Victor, b 5.1900, Minas Prietas, Sonora, Mexico, d 9.1935, Tucson, AZ, m Rita Silva; (**D**) Jose Guillermo (William), b 1905, Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico, m Clara Nevares; (**e**) Theresa, b 1911, San Xavier, Sonora, Mexico, d ca 1936, Los Angeles, CA, m Benjamin Ramirez; and (**f**) Jenny Bentley, b 6.1917, Tucson, AZ, m 1934 ca Fred Romero.

FBBHCFCA. Thomas Soveranes Bentley, bricklayer, b 3.11.1896, Minas Prietas, Sonora, Mexico; d 7.1.1970, Catholic Church affiliation, Tucson, AZ (res, 1940-70). He m1 Carlota Weinheimer, dtr of Maria (Trejo) and Charles, b 7.20.1896, El Llano, Sonora, Mexico; she d 3.26.1962, Tucson. He m2 Francisca Jimenez. Carlota and Thomas had 4 CH: (**a**) Bertha, b 1928, Tucson, AZ, d 1929; (**b**) Jenny, b and d 1929, Tucson; (**C**) Raymond, b 10.20.1930, San Diego, CA, m Arlene Schwenkler in Tucson; and (**D**) **Thomas W. Bentley (see below).**

FBBHCFCAD. Thomas Weinheimer Bentley, architect and administrator, b 7.19.1932, San Diego, CA; m 4.26.1963, Barranquilla, Colombia, S.A., Elizabeth Tranter Marple, dtr of Lorna (Johnson) and Warren Hilliard Marple, b 8.28.1939, Springfield, IL. Their two CH: **(A) Thomas Warren Bentley**, b 6.28.1969, Portland, OR; and **(b) Carlota Elizabeth Bentley**, b 3.22.1972, Portland, OR.

Tom and family reside (1984) at 6060 Beaumont Ave., La Jolla, CA (92037). His autobiography of 10.15.1982, follows.

> I, Thomas Weinheimer Bentley, was born in Logan Heights, a neighborhood of southern San Diego. My parents moved to Tucson while I was still an infant . . . I was graduated from Tucson High School in 1951.
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> From 1951 to 1956, I attended the University of Arizona, studying art and architecture. I received my bachelor's degree in 1956. I then went to the University of Texas in Austin where I studied architecture for another year.
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> In the summer of 1957, I took a job with INFILCO as an assistant group leader in that company's engineering department. I worked at INFILCO for about a year. I then left Tucson and moved to Phoenix in October 1958. In Phoenix I worked for several architectural firms, the last of which was the firm of Brenner and Arnold.
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> **In 1961, I was the first Arizonan to be accepted into the newly formed Peace Corps.** After training at Rutgers University, I went with the first Peace Corps contingent to the Republic of Colombia. The first year of my Peace Corps tour of duty was in the village of Armenia in the province of Antioquia. In early 1962, two events occurred about the same time. My mother, Carlota Weinheimer Bentley, died of a stroke in Tucson. I was able to travel to Tucson for her funeral, and upon returning to Colombia I was made a Peace Corps Leader and put in charge of Peace Corps operations in the three northern provinces of Atlantico, Bolivar, and Magdalena.
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> In October of 1962, a new contingent of Peace Corps Volunteers arrived in Colombia to work in the urban **barrios.** In that group was Elizabeth Tranter Marple, a volunteer assigned to work in the slums of Barranquilla, one of the cities in my area of responsibility. In April 1963, Elizabeth (Lisa, as she was known by her Spanish speaking friends) and I were married. Three months later, at the end of my two year tour of duty with the Peace Corps, we returned to the United States.
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> After a three month interlude in the U.S., Lisa and I again went overseas. I took a position with C.A.R.E. Inc., and served with that agency for eleven years. Our first assignment with CARE took us to Liberia where we worked for two and a half years. In July 1966, I was seconded back to the Peace Corps and was sent to Turkey to serve as Assistant Director of a rural development program. We stayed in

Turkey until September 1968 when I was promoted to Chief of Mission and transferred to Lesotho to start up CARE operations in that country. We lived in Lesotho for five years, a most memorable and rewarding period in our lives. Thomas Warren and Carlota Elizabeth were born during this period. Both children were born in Portland while Lisa and I were on home-leave from our duties in Lesotho. In 1973, I was transferred to Costa Rica where I assumed responsibility for CARE operations in that country. Our sojourn in Costa Rica began with a tragedy. While enroute to Costa Rica, the ship carrying our effects burned and sank outside of New Orleans, and we lost all our worldly belongings. We stayed in Costa Rica until September 1974, when I tendered my resignation to CARE, and we returned to the United States once again.

Welcome on board to Tom! He has successfully made his connection with each of his Bentl(e)y ancestors by tracing his lineage back to immigrant-progenitor WILLIAM BENTLY (Be:F.), native of Ampthill, Bedfordshire, England, and inhabitant of Kingstown (RI).

SUPPLEMENT, Ba:

BADGERO(W)?, BARJERO(W)?, OR?

Mrs. John Orr (Mary Lou Stoltenberg), 2620 48th Street, Lubbock, TX 79413, who has conducted genealogical research for a number of years, in June of 1985, sent to this Badgerow descendant documented information from which has been traced this six-generation female-line. The maiden surname of the progenitor is in question. On three records the name could be spelling corruptions for "Badgero(w)" as indicated below. Mary's query centers on the identity of her daughters' ancestor VII.63., father of VI.32. Mary Elizabeth.

VI.32. Mary Elizabeth "Barjerow" [Badgero(w)?], Progenitor, b 1791, Rensselaer Co., NY (?), d 12.25.1861, **Wheeler, Steuben Co., NY**, m ca 1808, Jeremiah Stryker, b 6.14.1784, bapt. Hunterdon Co., NJ. On three of her daughters' death records, her maiden name appeared as "Baguro," "Barjerow," and "Borjerou." Their 9th of 10 CH:

V.16. Abygail Elizabeth Stryker (sister of Hester Ann who **m 1840, Steuben Co.,** NY, * b 6.24.1828, NY, **m 3.26.1851, Avoca, Steuben Co.**, Uriah Nash Hood; their 2nd of 5 CH:

IV.8. Mary Elizabeth Hood, b 7.6.1857, IA, m 1.16.1876, Galesburg, Knox Co., IL, David Washington Middleton; their 7th of 8 CH:

III.4. Elsie Middleton, b 9.26.1896, Howella, Colfax Co., NE, m 2.19.1912, Dodge, Dodge Co., NE, George William Stoltenberg; their 5th of 5 CH:

II.2. Mary Lou Stoltenberg, b 11.18.1929, Julia, Swisher Co., TX, m 12.24.1946, Clovis, NM, John Ethel Orr, Jr.; their 2 CH:

I.1.a. Lou Ann Orr, b 1951, Lubbock, TX, m 1978, Ronald McBride;

I.1.b. Sue Zan Orr, b 1954, m 1973, Lubbock, Michael David Thompson.

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*For same time and place, see p. 691, **Francis** and **F. P. Badgero, Steuben Co., NY, 1847.**

DAVID BADGERO, CANADICE, NY

Reference: Waite, D. B., **History of Canadice,** pub. ca. 1885. Booklet pages 44-51 and 123 were copied by Richmond Historian John A. Reed, 4502 Reed Rd., Livonia, NY 14487 (Town of Richmond, Honeoye, NY 14471), and enclosed with correspondence to Mrs. John E. (Mary Lou Stoltenberg) Orr, 2620 48th St., Lubbock, TX 99413, 5.28.1985. Canadice was part of Richmond until 1830 when it became a separate township.

Also, see pp. 692-695 regarding New York Militiaman **David Badgerow** (Ba:??.) of **Canadice**!!!! Compare with pp. 1003-6, Appendix E.

The **first settler** in the **south-western part of the town** was **David Badgero.** His father was a French Canadian and a noted Nimrod in his day, and his mother was of German parentage. [Illustration of Ball Hill, south-western part of Canadice.] They left Canada in a very early day and came to Black River Country, where **David** married **Miss Ann Gordon,** by whom he had six children, **Elizabeth, Nancy, Justin, Martinus, Catharine,** and **David.** She died, and he removed to Burpee Hollow, in the town of **Bristol,** early in the spring of **1803.** There he wooed and won the heart and hand of **Miss Polly Gilbert,** and they were married in the fall of the same year. He remained there until the spring of **1808.** Then accompanied by his **brother-in-law, Reuben Gilbert,** and his own wife and children, he came by way of Honeoye to Livonia, and in canoes or Indian 'dugouts,' up the Hemlock Lake. They built a log house on the farm now owned by Arthur N. Johnson, in the town of **Springwater,** just across the line, where they lived while they erected another on the farm now owned by the heirs of Harlow Colegrove, in Canadice. **David Badgero** moved into it, and in the fall of the same year **Reuben Gilbert** returned to **Bristol** and brought his family to the house first erected on the Johnson farm. David's first possessions were 50 acres from the south end of lot No. 14. He build his house south-west of the present one, near the west edge of the orchard.

Seth Knowles, from Massachusetts, had preceded them in that valley about one year. Seth left his eastern home in the spring of 1805, came to Livonia and took what is now the 'Gibb's' farm. The next season was a very dry one in that town and others north of it, and observing that showers were frequent in the vicinity of the lakes south of him, he resolved to make a prospecting trip in that direction after harvest. In the fall of that year, Seth Knowles, his son, Jared, and Peter Welch took their guns, axes and necessary provisions upon their backs, and followed the old Indian trail over Ball Hill to the present town of **Springwater,** then Middletown. They built the body of a log house on lot No. 4, now owned by Mrs. Wm. H. Norton, returned to Livonia, then called Pittstown, and on the last day of March, 1807, Seth and his family came up the Hemlock Lake on ice, and took possession of his cabin, becoming the first settler in the west part of the town, and when the town (**Springwater**) was formed,

had the honor of naming it. Asking pardon for this digression, we will proceed with our subject.

By **David Badgero's** second marriage he also had six children, **Sarah, Wm., Hannah, Reuben, Francis,** and **Harry. Wm.** in early life went to **Canada,** learned of the Indians to be a 'medicine man,' went to **McComb county, Michigan,** thence to **Kansas** and **Nebraska,** where he died in **1873,** leaving a large family. **Nancy** married **Reuben Gilbert,** a brother to her step-mother, and died years ago. **Harry** and **Reuben** went to Michigan, and **Catharine** wed **Justus Grout.** When **David's** wife, Polly, was 3 or 4 years old, she was suddenly taken blind and remained so during life. Of his children, **Sarah, Hannah,** and **Francis** all became blind when about 3 years old. **Wm.,** however, had better sight and a greater range of vision than usual. **Hannah** and **Sarah** never married. They were very industrious, social, and intelligent. A little incident of Hannah's girlhood days may not be amiss here: While out one pleasant summer morning picking string beans for dinner, something came gently and noiselessly into her half-closed hand. 'Twas a humming bird! Me-thinks the thought involuntarily came into her mind, 'who told this innocent little fellow that I am blind?' **Francis** was a skillful and accomplished workman in wood, and was in youth an adept with the violin, and the 'observer of all observers,' at the merry-making in the surrounding country. For a number of years he lived at the Erie R. R. depot, Springwater. **Francis** built and finished in a good, workman-like manner a number of dwelling houses and performed feats at lifting which seems almost incredible. Altho his weight did not exceed 136 pounds, he has repeatedly lifted more than 2,000 pounds at once. He traveled over portions of this state and Canada, and proved to thousands the truth of our assertion. . . . **David Badgero** was in the **war of 1812** as a substitute for his son-in-law, Reuben Gilbert, was stationed on the northern frontier, and was one of those who volunteered to cross over into Canada. He was taken **prisoner, kept one year, and then exchanged.** In **1816,** he sold out to **his son-in-law, Justus Grout,** and took up the farm now owned by Samuel West, lived there some seven years and went to **Markham, Canada West, and died in his 85th year. Justus Grout** came from **Weathersfield, Vermont,** to Livonia, in the spring of **1808,** when a young man, and hired for one year to Samuel Pitts, an early and prominent settler in that town, and a son of Capt. Peter Pitts, the earliest settler of Pittstown, afterwards Richmond. The same spring Pitts and his hired man, Grout, came from Livonia to the head of Canadice Lake for the purpose of making sugar, maple timber then largely predominating from the head of the lake southward. The country was a pathless, unbroken wilderness, inhabited only by a few Indians and the wild, prawling denizens of the forest. They built their camp, tapped their trees and made sugar on lands now owned by William Thorp. . . . From Livonia [**Justus Grout**] went to **Springwater,** and on **April 29, 1810,** at the home of the bride in **Canadice,** married **Catharine,** the **third daughter of David**

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Badgero. As no ministers had as yet immigrated to this part of the moral vineyard, Esq. Stevens, of Lima, was called on to tie the peculiar knot. To the best of our knowledge this was the first marriage in the town of Canadice. From **1810 to 1816 they lived in Springwater.** In the latter year he bought out his father-in-law, **Badgero,** and took up his abode in Canadice, where he lived till he died. When he went to house-keeping in Springwater he bought 10 sheep, and wolves being very plenty, built a high yard adjoining his log house in which to keep them nights, but one eventful night not long after, 6 out of the 10 fell prey to the ravenous creatures.

The house taken down not long ago on the farm taken up by **Badgero** was built by Grout, was perhaps the oldest log or block house ever occupied in town. The log barn torn down a few years ago was built a long time before, and was in good condition when removed. **Justis Grout** was drafted in the **war of 1812** from **Springwater,** and went and acted his part nobly. His children were **David, Martha, Nancy, Betsey, Justis Jr., Frank, Marion,** and **Bradley.** Nancy married Philip Short. Martha, or 'Aunt Patty,' as she was familiarly called, was the wife of Luke Johnson and died in town. The others went to Michigan. Aunt Patty in her maidenhood was for 7 years a very successful school teacher. . . . **The writer of this work recalls** many a pleasant reminiscence of his early school days when under the parental care and instruction of Aunt Patty.

. . . **John Badgro,** a brother to **David** of whom we have written, came from Canada, and in **'15** put up the first cabin on the lands of Homer L. Johnson. . . .

Further identification of the foregoing and any reliable classification must be based upon primary sources of documentary evidence yet to be found.

A GENEALOGICAL INDEX FOR ENCIPHERED NAMES AND STRAY NAMES

Index I

A GENEALOGICAL INDEX FOR ENCIPHERED NAMES AND STRAY NAMES

Most women's surnames after marriage are **not** indexed; most women's maiden surnames are arranged in alphabetical sequence. Most maiden surnames are followed by just the woman's given or personal name(s) and **not** by her married name(s).

The ancestral code-numbers (1) and/or the ancestral-descendant code-letters (2) are included in bold type for names of identified individuals. Unenciphered names are considered as stray names.

(1) The ancestral **code-numbers** establish the relationship between each of the selected common-ancestors and of these three specific descendants: brothers Cameron R. Stewart, **I.1.**, John L. Stewart, **I.2.**, and James A. Stewart, **I.3.**

(2) For each of the common-ancestors **selected** as a family-group head, the ancestral-descendant **code-letters** consist of two letters and a colon followed by a single letter. This combination of letters identifies the common ancestor or family-group head for each of the family-group members classified genealogically in this publication. The code **letter** (to the right of the colon) is repeated as the first letter in the code letters for each of the descendants of that particular common ancestor. The **"?"** indicates that the rank of the individual's birth (among his parents' offspring) is unknown to us at present. The **letter** represents rank in birth — *e.g.* **"A"** or **"a"** represents the first-born child (male or female, respectively) of one of his parents. In some instances the birth order is unknown; therefore, some individuals are classified genealogically in hypothetical sequence as indicated in the text.

Two-letter symbols at the tops of the pages in the text indicate the specific family-group. These family-group symbols enable the reader to more readily locate the corresponding code-letters for any classified descendant's enciphered name. Page numbers, therefore, are not necessary for locating most of the enciphered names in the text. For exceptions, page numbers are included. REFER TO THE BOLDFACED CODING FIRST to locate the enciphered name in the text for a person who may be classified in more than one family group.[1]

The identified common-ancestors, who have been selected as the family-group heads or progenitors for their corresponding known-descendants as selected, are placed in the following order.

[1] **Boldfaced enciphering** enables the reader to readily locate the detailed accounts for descendants who are classified in more than one family group; also worth noting, in some family groups the multi-group descendants are classified in the family-group "Roll(s)" only.

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TENTATIVE CLASSIFICATION

The genealogical relationships of the foregoing progenitor-ancestors have **not** as yet been firmly established for many members of apparently the same or related family groups and sub-groups. However, names of these "potential cousins" do appear in this publication. These "incompletely identified" persons have been tentatively classified.

The tentative classification includes the following group and sub-group progenitors.

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BENTLEY, ALMIRA HANNAH, IV.4., (ALMIRIA), Be:FDDDABe., Sp:ADhDABe., Ba:Aae, 1034-7, 1065, 1550-2, 1741, 1815; add. 1865, 1875
Bentley, Almon(d), Be:FBDEAC.
Bentley, Almond H., Be:FBDEAOA.
Bentley, Alta Laura, Be:FDDCEGd.
Bentley, Alva, Be:FDCDDF.
Bentley, Alva, Be:FDDFHDC.
Bentley, Alvah, 1670
Bentley, Alvern Porter, Be:FDDCEA., 1370
Bentley, Alverne Lewellyn, Be:FDDCEDC., 1336
Bentley, Ama, Be:FDDACEa.
Bentley, Amanda, Be:FBBHKd.

Bentley, Amanda, Be:FDCDDd.
Bentley, Amelia Augusta, 1367
Bentley, Amelia Dorliska, Be:FDDCEBd., 1336, 1367
Bentley, Amelia Dorliska, Be:FDDCEh.
Bentley, Amos, 1557
Bentley, Amy, Be:FDDCBd.
Bentley, Amy, Be:FDDCd., 1336
Bentley, Amy Joan, Be:FDDACEHCDb.
Bentley, Anabelle, Be:FDDFMe., 1516
Bentley, Ancelia, Be:FBDEBe.
Bentley, Anderson M., 1642
Bentley, Ann, 1045-6
Bentley, Ann, Be:FDDg., 1529
Bentley, Ann(e) (-----), 1179
Bently, Ann Jane (-----), 1641
Bentley, Anna, 1608, 1663, 1712
Bentley, Anna, Be:FDCAICh.
Bentley, Anna (-----), 1657
Bentley, Anna (Mrs.), 1657
Bentley, Anna, Be:FBDEg.
Bentley, Anna, Be:FBDf.
Bentley, Anna, Be:FDDAEa.
Bentley, Anna, Be:FDDEf.
Bentley, Anna Josephine, Be:FDDACFEAe.
Bentley, Anna Maria, Be:FDDCEAe., 1335
Bentley, Annabelle, Be:FDDFHDC?.
Bentley, Anne (-----), 1179
Bentley, Anne (-----) (wid.), 1685
Bentley, Annie, Be:FDDFGId.
Bentley, Annie Lillian, 1681
Bentley, Annie Louise, Be:FBBD????,, 1168(?), 1606
Bentley, Annie Mary Louise, 1866
Bentl(e)y, anon., 1434, 1550-1, 1567
Bentley, anon., Be:FBLD?.
Bentley, anon. Be:FDCAA?., addendum 1864
Bentley, anon., Be:FDCAI?., 1228
Bentley, anon. Be:FDCDDFA?.
Bentley, anon., Be:FDD?., Sp:ADh?., 1066, 1529
Bentley, anon., Be:FDDACFGCEC.
Bentley, anon., Be:FDDACFIb.
Bentley, anon., Be:FDDADId.
Bentley, anon., Be:FDDADCDc.
Bentley, anon., Be:FDDAEF?.
Bentley, anon., Be:FDDAEG?.
Bentley, anon., Be:FDDCBFA?.
Bentley, anon., Be:FDDCEGCa.
Bentley, anon., Be:FDDCFJA?.
Bentley, anon., Be:FDDCGE?.
Bentley, anon., Be:FDDCGECA?.
Bentley, anon., Be:FDDDC?.

Bentley, anon., Be:FDDDd., Sp:ADhDd., 1066
Bentley, anon., Be:FDDDg., Sp:ADhDg., 1486
Bentley, anon., Be:FDDFBCD.
Bentley, anon., Be:FDDFGD-5. (Mrs. Smith)
Bentley, anon., Be:FDDFHFCE.
Bentley, anon., Be:FDDFl.
Bentley, Ansel (E. or T.), Be:FDDCBFE.
Bentley, Ansel Oakes, Be:FBDEAPH
Bentley, Anson, 1673
Bentley, Anson Buck, Be:FDDACFEAF.
Bentley, Anson Jacob Randall, Be:FDDACFEA., 1294
Bentley, —arilla (?), Be:FDCAICa.
Bentley, Arnold, 1726
Bentley, Arnold, Be:FBDEH.
Bentley, Arnold, Be:FBDS.
Bentley, Arnold George, Be:FBDEAK.
Bentley, Arthur (Mrs.), 1681
Bentley, Arthur Herman, Be:FDDDEBGB.
Bentley, Arthur Randall, Be:FDDACFGC., 1064
Bentley, Arthur S., Be:FDDFMCAD.
Bentley, Asa, 1608, 1718
Bentley, Asa (?), Be:FDCAIB., 1228
Bentley, Asel, 1566
Bentley, Asmana, Be;FDDDEg.
Bentley, Aubrey, Be:FBLDECB.
Bentley, Augustus, Be:FBDEAO.
Bentley, Augustus, Be:FDCDH.
Bentley, Austin, Be:FDDFGJJ.
Bentley, Azubah, 1725
Bentley, Baldwin, 1606
Bentley, Barbara, Be:FDDCGc.
Bentley, Barbara, Be:FDDCh.
Bentley, Barbara J., Be:FDDDEBFd.
Bentley, Barbara Maria, Be:FDDCEf.
Bentley, Barbara Ruth, Be:FDDCFJAg.
Bentley, Barberry, 1703
Bentley, Barry, Be:FDDCGECBCB.
Bentley, Bathsheba (-----), 1165
Bentley, Bathsheba, Be:FBLDc.
Bently, Benedick, 1567
Bentley, Benedict, Be:FBDQA.
Bentl(e)y, Benjamin, 1040-2, 1226, 1238, 1530, 1567, 1583, 1606, 1618, 1625, 1636, 1655, 1660-1664, 1667, 1692; 1622
Bentley, "Benjamin," 1043
Bentley, Benjamin (Jr.), 1040, 1550-1, 1655, 1658, 1661, 1663
Bentley, Benjamin (Jr.) (Mrs.) (Ruth Fowler), 1487, 1663
Bentley, Benjamin, of Kingsbury
Bentley, Benjamin, Be:FBDHA.
Bentley, Benjamin, Be:FBLD.
Bentley, Benjamin, Be:FBLDHD.

Bentley, Benjamin, Be:FBM.
BENTL(E)Y, BENJAMIN ("JR."), Anc: VIII.49, Be:FDD., 1067, 1104, 1107, 1225, **1235-41**, 1322, 1538, 1659, 1728, 1740, 1759, 1763, 1815
Bentley, Benjamin (Jr.) (Benjamin's son), Be:FDDE, Sp:ADhE., 1066, 1241, 1763
Bentl(e)y, Benjamin, Be:FE., 1057, 1103, 1116-7, 1533-44
Bentley, Benjamin F., 1673
Bentley, Benjamin Franklin, Be:FDDACFEAD.
Bentley, Benoni, Be:FBLDL.
Bentley, Bergen, Be:FDEF., 1531-2
Bentley, Bernice Ila, Be:FDDCBFABh.
Bentley, Bertha, Be:FDDABBAc.
Bentley, Bertha H., Be:FDDFMCAb.
Bentley, Bertie, Be:FDDFHFb.
Bentley, Bessie, Be:FDDACb.
Bentley, Bessie Christina, Be:FDDACFIc.
Bentley, Bessie Frances, Be:FDDFHDEb., 1523
Bentley, Bethany, 1542
Bentley, Bethuel, Be:FBLDE.
Bentley, Bethuel, Be:FBLDHG.
Bentl(e)y, Betsey, 1243-5, 1600-3, 1718
Bentley, Betsey, Be:FBBHj.
Bentley, Betsey, Be:FDDAEh.
Bentley, Betsey, Be:FDDAf.
Bentley, Betseyan, 1039
Bentley, Betsey Ann, Be:FDDAHa., 1587
Bentley, Betsy, Be:FDDCBe.
Bently, Betty, 1567
Bentley, Bill, Be:FDDFHFCB.
Bentley, Blanch, 1672
Bently, Blanche, 1672
Bentley, Bonnie Marie, Be:FDDCEDCHAa.
Bentley, Branchie, Be:FDDCDg., 1703
Bentley, Breta Frances, Be:FDDCFJAe.
Bentley, Brett Richard, Be:FDDCGECBDA.
Bentley, Bruce, Be:FDDCEDCJA.
Bentl(e)y, Brygrd, 1700
Bentley, Burton, 1718
Bentley, Byron, 1681
Bentley, Byron Henry, Be:FDDDEBG., 1463-6
Bentley, C. H., 1672
Bentl(e)y, Caleb, 1039-40, 1052, 1168, 1238, 1240, 1550-1, 1567, 1590, 1609, 1655, 1657
Bentley, Caleb, Jr., 1240
Bentley, Caleb, Be:FBBH., also 1622
Bentley, Caleb, Be:FBBHD.
Bentley, Caleb, Be:FBBHKE.
Bentley, Caleb Be:FBD.
Bentley, Caleb, Be:FBDE.
Bentley, Caleb, Be:FDDA., Sp:ADhA., 1038, 1052, 1066, 1225, 1235, 1238, 1240-1, 1254-7, 1285, 1322, 1323, 1326, 1409, 1763

Bentley, Caleb G., 1582, 1642
Bentley, Calvin (?), 1718
Bentley, Calvin, Be:FBDEAJ.
Bentley, Calvin, Be:FDDADEB.
Bentley, Calvin Eugene, 1718-19
Bentley, Calvin Henry, Be:FDDACEH.
Bentley, Cara (Eara?), 1672
Bentley, Carl O., 1701
Bentley, Carl, 1719
Bentley, Carole Sue, Be:FDDCFJACAc.
Bentley, Caroline, Be:FBBHKb.
Bentley, Caroline C., 1703
Bentley, Caroline Maria, Be:FBBHKa.
Bentley, Carlton Eugene, Be:FDDAEGAF.
Bentley, Cary Johnson, Be:FDDCEDD.
Bentley, Cary Wayne, Be:FDDCEDCJEB.
Bentley, Cassa Maud, Be:FDDCEDCa.
Bentley, Catherine, Be:FDCAAb., 1863
Bentley, Catharine, Be:FDDDEBBa.
Bentley, Catherine (-----), 1695
Bentley, Catherine, Be:FDDDEd.
Bently, Cecelia, 1545, 1694
Bentley, Cecilia (-----), 1682
Bentley, Cecilia Jane, 1545, 1695
Bentley, Celestia, Be:FBDEAJb.
Bentley, Cella M., 1866
Bentley, Charis, Be:FDDAEGAAb.
Bentley, Charity, Be:FDCAAd., 1863
Bentley, Charles, 1685, 1698-9; 1622
Bentley, Charles, Be:FBLDGM.
Bentley, Charles, Be:FDCAAM., 1863
Bentley, Charles, Be:FDCDDHA.
Bentley, Charles, Be:FDCDG.
Bentley, Charles, Be:FDDDFBC.
Bentley, Charles, Be:FDDDFG.
Bentley, Charles, Be:FDDFHC.
Bentley, Charles Benjamin, Be:FDDFMD., 1338
Bentley, Charles Cecil, Be:FDDFGFD., 1512, 1514
Bentley, Charles, Clair, Be:FDDACFBGA.
Bentley, Charles Edward, 1392
Bentley, Charles Eugene, Be:FDDAEGA.
Bentley, Charles **Eugene,** Be:FDDAEII., 1262, 1312, 1323-4
Bentley, Charles H., 1590
Bentley, Charles H., Be:FDDDFBC.
Bentley, Charles L., 1701
Bentley, Charles L., Be:FDCDDHABB.
Bentley, Charles M., 1701
Bentley, Charles Martin, Be:FBBHAGC.
Bentley, Charles R., 1674
Bentley, Charles Raymond, Be:FBBHAGAE.

Bentley, Charles Raymond (Jr.), Be:FBBHAGAEA.
Bentley, Charles S., Be:FDDABCAA.
Bentley, Charles Thomas, 1685
Bentley, Charles W., Be:FDDFHDE.
Bentley, Charley, Be:FDDFHFAA.
Bentley, Chris, Be:FDDFGBBD.
Bentley, Christina, 1673
Bentley, Christopher, Be:FDDFB., 1247-8
Bentley, Christopher, Be:FDDFGBB.
Bentl(e)y, Christopher, Be:FEEA., 1666
Bentley, Christopher (Mrs.) (Lydia Arnold), 1543, 1665
Bentley, Christop(h)er, 1247, 1543, 1665
Bentley, Christopher H., 1557
Bentley, Clara, Be:FDDACc.
Bentley, Clara E., 1701
Bentley, Clarence, Be:FDDFMCAA.
Bentley, Clarence Randall, Be:FDDAEGB.
Bentley, Clarinda (Bentley)
Bentley, Clarise (—. Clarise), Be:FDDAEGd.
Bentley, Clarissa M., 1698
Bentley, Clarissa M., Be:FDDDFAf.
Bentley, Clark, Be:FDDFJ.
Bentley, Clayton Stanley, Be:FDDACFGAD.
Bentley, Clyde, 1697
Bentley, Clyde, Be:FDDDFBEA.
Bentley, Gogswell, Be:FBBHAGAA.
Bently, Colonel, 1583, 1618
Bentley, Colonel, Reynolds, Be:FDDAEI., 1065, 1313
Bentley, Columbus, Be:FDDFGBA.
Bentley, Cora Otilla, Be:FDDCEAaa. and Be:FDDCFHa.
Bentley, Cordelia Augusta, Be:FDDABBe., 1250
Bentley, Cordelia (-----), 1672
Bentley, Cordelia Hannah, Be:FDDACFBCa.
Bentley, Cornelia, Be:FDDABCAb.
Bentley, Cornelia A., 1250, 1703
Bentley, Crigger, 1608
Bentley, Crigger (Krieger-?), Be:FDCAIA., 1228, 1608
Bentley, Cynthia, 1682
Bentley, Cynthia, Be:FDDCGECBCf.
Bentley, Cyren(i)us, Be:FDDCBF.
Bentley, Cyrus, Be:FBBHF.
Bentley, Cyrus, Be:FBDEBD.
Bentley, Cyrus, Be:FBDEE.
Bentley, Dana Marie, Be:FDDACFGCDc.
Bentley, Daniel, 1052, 1572, 1606
Bentley, Daniel Garrett, Be:FDDCGECBDB.
Bentley, Daniel M., Be:FDDADAA.
Bentley, Daniel S., Be:FDDACEB.
Bentley, Daphne, Be:FBLDHf.
Bentley, Darius, Be:FBBHE.

Bentley, Dauphin, Be:FBLDHE.
Bentley, David, 1669
Bentley, David, Be:FDCAAI., 1863
Bentley, David, Be:FDCDDFB.
Bentley, David, Be:FDDACEHCBB.
Bentley, David, Be:FDDFM., 1495, 1527
Bentley, David A., 1513
Bentley, David Alexander, Be:FDDFGFBC., 1064
Bentley, David Alexander, II, Be:FDDFGFBCA., 1064, **1513**
Bentley, David Bayne, Be:FDDCEDCHA.
Bentley, David Bayne, Be:FDDCEDCHAE.
Bentley, David C., Be:FDCAICD.
Bentley, David R., Be:FBBHKF.
Bentley, David Sylvester, Be:FDDCBBD.
Bentley, David V., 1642
Bentley, Dayma Marie, Be:FDDCEDCJBa.
Bentley, Deborah (-----), 1701
Bentley, Deborah, 1591, 1696
Bentley, Deborah, Be:FBDEf.
Bentley, Deborah, Be:FBLDHc.
Bentley, Deborah, Be:FDDCGECBAb.
Bentley, Deborah, Be:FDDCEDCICc.
Bentley, Deborah, Be:FDDDb., Sp:ADhDb., 1486, 1591
Bentley, Deborah, Be:FDDDEBh.
Bentley, DeLancey, Be:FBBHAGAD.
Bentley, Deliah, Be:DFGBd.
Bentley, Denio, 1718
Bentley, Denis W., 1674
Bentley, Denis W., Be:FDDDEBI., 1464
Bentley, Dianna, Be:FBLe.
Bentley, "Dominie," 1715
Bentley, Donald Francis, Be:FBDEAPGF.
Bently, Dontella, 1694
Bentley, Dorcas, 1712
Bentley, Dorcas, Be:FBDd.
Bentley, Dorothy, Be:FDDFHFCc.
Bentley, Dorothy Irene, Be:FDCAICJBBc.
Bentley, Drew of, 1053-4
Bentley, Drusilla, 1718
Bentley, Duane, Be:FDDCBBFA.
Bentley, Duncan, 1673
Bentley, Duncan Alexander, Be:FDDACFEE.
Bentley, Duncan Henry, Be:FDDDEBFC.
Bentley, Dwight, 1674
Bentley, E. M. (Mrs.), 1055-6
Bentley, E . T., 1186
Bentley, Ebenezer, 1668
Bentley, Ebenezer, Be:FBDP.
Bentley, Eda, 1672
Bentley, Edgar, Be:FDDCBBE.

Bentley, Edith , Be:FDDABBAb.
Bentley, Edith Elsey, 1866
Bentley, Edith Naomi, Be:FDDAEGAd.
Bentley, Edmond T. (.-?), Be:FDDCBFD.
Bentley, Edna Marie, Be:FBDEAPf.
Bentley, Edward, Be:FDDFHE.
Bentley, Edward M. (Mrs.) Mary Merrill), 1039, 1055-6, 1250, 1574, 1714-15
Bentley, Edward Manross, 1039, 1714-15
Bentley, Edward S., Be:FDCDDL.
Bentley, Edward W., Be:FDCDDHAC.
Bentley, Edward Warren (Rev.), 1039, 1250, 1254, 1314, 1714-15
Bentley, Edwin, Be:FBDEAP.
Bentley, Edwin, Be:FDDCBBF.
Bentley, Edwin, Be:FDDCEBAA.
Bentley, Edwin Carleton, Be:FDDACEHA.
Bentley, Edwin Dwight, Be:FDDCEDCJC.
Bentley, Edwin Harold, Be:FBDEAPGC.
Bentley, Edwin Meredith ("Seattle Ed"), Be:FBDEAPGCC., 1043-4, 1049, 1178-9, 1246, 1251, 1271, 1331, 1333, 1482, 1487, 1494, 1531, 1652, 1711
Bentley, Edwin S., Be:FDCDDI.
Bentley, Effie E., 1718
Bently, Eidow, 1567
Bentley, Elder, 1717
Bently, Eldred, 1567, 1720
Bentley, Eleanor, 1695
Bentley, Eleanor J., Be:FDDFGBf.
Bentley, Electa Ann, Be:FDDCFa.
Bentley, Electa Sophrona, Be:FDDCEe.
Bentley, Elenor Emily, 1696
Bentley, Elijah, 1276, 1557, 1619-21, 1680, 1682
Bentley, Elijah, Be:FDDADEJ.
Bentley, Elijah, Be:FDDDC., Sp:ADhDC., **1276**, 1401
Bently, Elisabeth, 1583
Bentley, Elisha, Be:FDDFN., 1495
Bentley, Elisha T., Be:FBLDLD.
Bentley, Elisha Tucker, Be:FBLDO., 1191, 1199, 1200, 1644
Bentley, Eliz., 1045
Bentley, Eliza, Be:FBLDHa.
Bentley, Eliza, Be:FDDADFe.
Bentley, Eliza, Be:FDDADb.
Bentley, Eliza Clara, 1696
Bentley, Eliza Jane (-----), 1866
Bentley, Elizabeth, 1044, 1244-5, 1531, 1541, 1618, 1644, 1712
Bentl(e)y, Elizabeth (-----), 1036, 1489, 1662, 1695
Bentley, Elizabeth, Be:FDDFGe.
Bentley, Elizabeth, Be:FBc.
Bentley, Elizabeth, Be:FBBe.
Bentley, Elizabeth, Be:FBDb.
Bentley, Elizabeth, Be:FBLg.
Bentley, Elizabeth, Be:FDCAAc., 1863

Bentley, Elizabeth, Be:FDCDj.
Bentley, Elizabeth, Be:FDDACEHCDa.
Bentley, Elizabeth, Be:FDDACFGEa.
Bentley, Elizabeth, Be:FDDADAe.
Bentley, Elizabeth, Be:FDDADEf.
Bentley, Elizabeth, Be:FDDAEe.
Bentley, Elizabeth, Be:FDDCa.
Bentley, Elizabeth, Be:FDDFd.
Bentley, Elizabeth, Be:FDEe.
Bentley, Elizabeth, Be:FDEi.
Bentley, Elizabeth, Be:FDDAEe.
Bentley, Elizabeth Ann, Be:FDDCFe.
Bentley, Elizabeth Eve, Be:FDDCEDCHAc.
Bentley, Elizabeth Jane, Be:FDDACFBb.
Bentley, Elizabeth Noel, Be:FDDAEGAAa.
Bentley, Ella, Be:FDCDDFAc.
Bentley, Ella Dorcas, Be:FBLDOc.
Bently, Ellen (-----), 1866
Bentley, Ellen, Be:FBLDHi.
Bentley, Ellen J., Be:FBDEANa.
Bentley, Ellen Jane, Be:FDDCEAf.
Bentley, Ellen May, Be:FDDACFIa.
Bently, Ellen R., 1672
Bentley, Elmer Earl, Be:FDDCEDCJ.
Bentley, Elmer Rundall, Be:FDDFHDED.
Bentley, Elsie Louise, Be:FDDCBFABf.
Bentley, Elsie Maxine, Be:FDDFHDEa., 1496, 1516-26
Bentley, Elydia (-----), 1668
Bentley, Emanuel, Be:FDDFGD-1.
Bentley, Emely Mary, 1695
Bentley, Emery J., Be:FBDEAJA.
Bentley, Emeryene, 1646
Bentley, Emily, 1557, 1698
Bentley, Emily, Be:FDCAICk.
Bentley, Emily, Be:FDDDFd.
Bentley, Emily Amalia, Be:FDDABBd.
Bentley, Emma, 1044, 1254, 1263, 1290, 1323, 1631-2, 1673
Bentley, Emma, Be:FDDADEAb.
Bentley, Emma, Be:FDDDEBBd.
Bentley, Emma, Be:FDDFGD-2.
Bentley, Emma Eliza, Be:FDDACFEd., 1254, 1263, 1290-1, 1293-4, 1323
Bentley, Erma, Be:FDDCFJb.
Bentley, Ernest, 1672
Bentley, Ernest O., Be:FDDFGJH.
Bentley, Ephraim B., Be:FBLDN.
Bentley, Ephraim James, Be:FBLDOA.
Bentley, Ernest, 1672
Bentley, Ester L., 1680, 1682
Bently, Esther, 1694
Bentley, Esther, Be:FDDFGBc.

Bentley, Esther, Be:FDDFi.
Bentley, Esther Florence, Be:FDCAICJBBa.
Bentley, Eugene; see Charles **Eugene**, Be:FDDAEII.
Bentley, Eugene Julian, Be:FDDACFEAG.
Bentley, Eugenia Maxine, Be:FDDAEGAFa.
Bentley, Eunice, Be:FBLa.
Bentley, Eunice Mary, Be:FBBHKc.
Bentley, Euphemia Hannah, 1696
Bentley, Eva Grace, Be:FBBHKEa.
Bentley, Eva Lucinda, Be:FDDDEBGa.
Bentley, Evalyn, Be:FDDACFGEc.
Bentley, Evalyne Annetta, Be:FDDACFGb., 1313
Bentley, Evelyn, Be:FDDCEDCIb.
Bentley, Everett Clinton, Be:FDDFHDEE.
Bentl(e)y, Ezekial, 1055, 1567, 1627, 1668, 1711
Bentley, Ezekial, Be:FBBJ.
Bentley, Ezekial, Be:FBDO.
Bentley, Ezekial, Be:FBE.
Bentley, Faney (Fanny and/or Frances)
Bentley, Fanny (Mrs.), 1700
Bentley, Fannie, Be:FDDFGIa.
Bentley, Fannie **Fern**, Be:FDDCEDCg.
Bently, Fanny, Be:FDCAICg.
Bentley, Fanny, Be:FDDDAd., Sp:ADhDAd.
Bentley, Fanny Ada, Be:FDCDDHAa.
Bentley, Fanny Alice, Be:FBLDOb.
Bentley, Farren, Be:FBLDHJ.
Bentley, Flora Elma, Be:FBLDOd.
Bentley, Florence, 1672
Bentley, Florence, Be:FBLDECc.
Bentley, Florence Emma, Be:FDDAEId.
Bentley, Floyd F., Be:FDCDDB?A., 1053, 1230
Bentley, Fraisher, Be:FDDFMCB.
Bentley, Frances, 1045, 1674
Bentley, Frances, Be:FBLDGh.
Bentley, Frances, Be:FDDDABf., Sp:ADhDABf., 1875
Bentley, Frances A., Be:FDDDABDb.
Bentley, Frances Mary, 1696
Bentley, Francis, 1045
Bentley, Francis, Be:FDDADFD.
Bentley, Francis H., Be:FDDFGJC.
Bentley, Francis Reynolds, Be:FDDAEF.
Bentley, Frank, 1673, 1721
Bentley, Frank, Be:FDDAEFC.
Bentley, Frank, Be:FDDFGBBB.
Bentley, Frank, Be:FDDFHF.
Bentley, Frank Eugene, Be:FDDCEDCIC.
Bentley, **Frank** Fay, Be:FDDCEDCI., 1379
Bentley, Frank Harold, Be:FDDFGFA.
Bentley, Frank I., 1673

Bentley, Frank L., Be:FDDCEGB.
Bentley, Frank P., Be:FDDADACA., 1301, 1304, 1306
Bentley, Frank R., 1700
Bentley, Frank T., 1672
Bentley, Franklin, Be:FBLDGG.
Bentley, Franklin Richard, Be:FDCAICJG.
Bentley, Fred, 1697
Bentley, Fred, Be:FBDEAPE.
Bentley, Fred., Be:FDDFMCE.
Bentley, Fred C., 1701; F. C., 1622
Bentley, Fred E., Be:FDCDDHABA.
Bentley, Fred Erwin, Be:FDDACEHD.
Bentley, Fred Harold, Be:FEEBAFDB., 1056
Bentley, Fred Louis, Be:FDDACFGA.
Bentley, Fred N., Be:FDDCEGC.
Bentley, Fred Newton, 1057
Bentley, Frederic, Be:FDDFE., 1494
Bentley, Frederick, 1052, 1572
Bentley, Frederick, Be:FDDDFBED.
Bentley, Frederick C., 1701
Bentley, Frederick Erwin, Be:FDDACFIEB.
Bentley, Frederick Francis, Be:FDDACEHCD.
Bentley, Frederick J., Be:FBDEBG.
Bentley, Frederick Randall, Be:FDDACFGCDB.
Bentley, Frederick W., Be:FDCAICJBA.
Bentley, Frederick William, Be:FDDACEHCCB.
Bently, Freeman, 1672-3
Bentley, G., 1685
Bentley, Gardiner, 1038, 1323, 1717, 1721
Bentley, Gar(d)ner, Be:FBDEAM.
Bentley, Gardner C., 1590
Bentley, Garland Harry, 1701
Bently, Gemima, 1646
Bentl(e)y, George, 1052, 1567, 1572, 1606
Bentley, George, Be:FBB.
Bentley, George, Be:FBBD.
Bentley, George, Be:FBBDA.
Bentley, George, Be:FBLDGA.
Bentley, George, Be:FDCAB.
Bentley, George, Be:FDCDDBA.
Bentley, George, Be:FDCDDHAB.
Bentley, George, Be:FDDABCA.
Bentley, George, Be:FDDACFBA.
Bentley, George, Be:FDDADEC.
Bentley, George A., 1590, 1686
Bentley, George Alfonso, Be:FEEBAFD., 1058
Bentley, George B., 1673
Bentley, George Barclay, Be:FDDACFE.
Bentley, George Creager, Be:FDDACFEAB.
Bentley, George D., 1684

Bentley, George E., 1674
Bentley, George Edward, 1695
Bentley, George Flower, Be:FDDAEIA.
Bentley, George Frederick, Be:FDDACFID.
Bentley, George G., 1673
Bentley, George H., Be:FDCDDH.
Bentley, George Henry, Be:FDCAICJH.
Bentley, George R., Be:FDDCBHA.
Bentley, George R., Be:FDDCGED., 1333
Bentley, George Thomas, Be:FDDCBH.
Bentley, George Thomas Luckitt, Be:FDDACFBH.
Bentley, Geo. W., 1518, 1703
Bentley, George William, Be:FDDFHD., 1518-19, **1521**, 1525
Bentley, Georgia, 1609
Bentley, Georgie, Be:FDDFMDb.
Bentley, Gerald, Be:FDDCEDCIAB.
Bentley, Gertrude G., 1673
Bentley, Gertrude Grace, Be:FDDACFEAc.
Bentley, Gertrude Mehitable, Be:FDDACFEb.
Bentl(e)y, Gideon, 1039, 1055, 1275-7, 1287, 1566, 1588, 1609, 1663, 1726
Bentley, Gideon, Be:FBDC.
Bentley, Gideon, Be:FBDEC.
Bentley, Gideon, Be FBDQ.
Bentley, Gideon, Be:FDCF.
Bentley, Gideon (Jr.), Be:FDDFG., 1066, 1494, 1517
Bentley, Gideon (Sr.) (BENJAMIN'S son), Be:FDDF., Sp:ADhF., 1066, 1241, 1275-7, **1287**, 1338, **1488-97,** 1513, 1763
Bentley, Gilbert B., 1670
Bentley, Gilbert, Be:FDDACEI.
Bentley, Gilbert Stuart, Be:FDDFGFBB.
Bentley, Gold, 1566, 1668
Bentley, Golda (Goldie-?), 1701
Bentley, Gould, 1668
Bentley, Gould, Be:FBDM.
Bentley, Grace (-----), 1673
Bentley, Grace, Be:FDDFHDd.
Bentley, Gracia, Be:FDDCGECBAc.
Bentley, Gracie, 1673
Bentley, Granville Charles, Be:FDDCGECBD., 1334, 1359
Bentley, Gregory, Be:FDCAAN., 1863
Bentley, Gregory, Be:FDDCGECBCA.
Bently, Green (Jr.), 1567
Bentley, Greene M., Be:FBL., 1186, 1191, 1550-1, 1777
Bentley, Green(e), Be:FBLDH.
Bentley, Greene (Jr.), Be:FBLH.
Bentley, **Gussie** Genevieve, Be:FDDCEDCd.
Bentley, Gustavus, Be:FBBHAH.
Bentley, Gustavus, Be:FBDEAN.
Bentley, Gustavus Adolphus, Be:FBBHAGB.
Bentley, H. Deane, Be:FDDDFBEFB.

BENTL(E)Y, HANNAH (BADGEROW) (see BADGEROW, HANNAH)
Bentley, Hanna(h), 1038, 1244-6, 1644, 1652, 1663, 1680
Bentley, Hannah (-----), 1668
Bentley, Hannah, Be:FBLb., 1777
Bentley, Hannah, Be:FCa.
Bentley, Hannah, Be:FDDACd.
Bentley, Hannah J., 1698
Bentley, Hannah J., Be:FDCAICo.
Bentley, Hannah J., Be:FDDDFAd.
Bentley, Harison, 1697
Bentley, Harley R., Be:FDDFGJI.
Bently, Harmliss, 1700
Bentley, Harold, 1701
Bentley, Harold C., Be:FDDFMCAC.
Bentley, Harold Dudley, Be:FBBHAGAC.
Bentley, Harold Irvin, 1514
Bentley, Harold Jackson, Be:FDDCGECB.
Bentley, Harold Shelley, Be:FDDCBFABI.
Bentley, Harriet, Be:FDCDDe.
Bentley, Harriet, Be:FDDCBBc.
Bentley, Harriet Alice, Be:FDDFGFe.
Bentley, Harriet E., 1698
Bentley, Harriet E., Be:FDDDFAc.
Bentley, Harriet E., Be:FDDFGc.
Bentley, Harriet(t) (-----), 1642, 1670
Bentley, Hariott, 1700
Bentley, Harrison A., Be:FDDDFBEE.
Bentley, Harry C., 1039, 1052-1060, 1300, 1485, 1511, 1571-8, 1691
Bentley, Harry Lawrence, Be:FDDCBFABD.
Bentley, Harry Roy, Be:FDDACEHCB.
Bentley, Harry Sherwood, Be:FBDEAPGH.
Bentley, Harry Theodore, Be:FDDCEDAB.
Bentley, Harvey, 1610; see also William Harvey.
Bentley, Harvey, Be:FDDFGBH.
Bentley, Hattie Theodora, Be:FDDCEDAc.
Bentley, Hazel, Be:FDDACFGAe.
Bentley, Hector, 1866
Bentley, Helen, Be:FDDACFh., 1283, 1286
Bentley, Helen Viola, 1681
Bentley, Helen Viola, Be:FDDDEBBEc., 1472
Bently, Henrietta (-----), 1694
Bently, Henrietta Ruth, Be:FDDFHDEf.
Bentley, Henry, 1566, 1696
Bentley, Henry, Be:FDDFGD-3.
Bentley, Henry Canada, 1695
Bently, Henry J., 1700
Bentley, Henry Roy, Be:FDDACEHC.
Bentley, Herbert, Be:FDDADEAA.
Bentley, Herbert, Be:FDDADEAA.
Bentley, Hetty, 1590

Bentley, Hetty, Be:FDDFMa.
Bentley, Herbert L., Be:FDCAICJBB.
Bentley, Hilland L., 1590
Bentley, Hiram, Be:FBBHAE.
Bentley, Horatio Nelson, Be:FDDCEB.
Bentley, Horatio Nelson, Be:FDDCEBC.
Bentley, "Horrid" (see Rhoda)
Bentley, Howard, 1482, 1571, 1697
Bentley, Howard, Be:FDDAECA.
Bentley, Howard, Be:FDDDEBBBB.
Bentley, Howard D., Be:FDDDFBEF., 1482
Bentley, Ian, Be:FDDACFGCEA.
Bentley, Ida Augusta, Be:FDDCEBb.
Bentley, Ida Cecil, Be:FDDCEBEb.
Bentley, Imogene, Be:FDDADAd.
Bentley, Inez C., Be:FDCDDHADa.
Bentley, Ira, 1401, 1550-1, 1557, 1582, 1609, 1686, 1688; Benj.'s son, 1622
Bentley, Ira (Jr.), 1609
Bentley, Ira (Mrs.) (Sarah Beam), 1442-52, 1550-1
Bentley, Ira, Be:FDDDE., Sp:ADhDE., 1401, **1442-52**, 1621
Bentley, Ira, Be:FDDDEBC.
Bentley, Ira, Be:FDDDEE.
Bentley, Ira N., Be:FBBDAG.
Bentley, Irene, Be:FDDCFJAb., 1390
Bentley, Irene A., Be:FDDFGFCa.
Bentley, Isaac, 1039, 1243-5, 1248, 1590
Bentley, Isaac (Rev.), 1582
Bentley, Isaac, of Glens Falls
Bentley, Isaac, Be:FBLDEC.
Bentley, Isaac, Be:FDDACA.
Bentley, Isaac, Be:FDDACEE.
Bentley, Isaac, Be:FDDACFJ., 1283, 1286
Bentley, Isaac (Jr.), Be:FDDAEG., 1065, 1254
Bentley, Isaac, Be:FDDFA.
Bentley, Isaac Madison, Be:FDDAEGAB.
Bentley, Isaac R., Be:FDDAE., 1066, 1312-13
Bentley, Isabella, 1644-5
Bentley, Isabelle, Be:FDDCEACa.
Bentley, Isa**belle**, Be:FDDFHDb.
Bentley, Iva Alma, Be:FDDADEDb.
Bentley, Iva May Elizabeth, Be:FDDACFBCc.
Bentley, J., 1686
Bentley, J. H., 1680
Bentley, J. H., Be:FDDDEBCC.
Bentley, Jacob, 1463, 1669-70
Bentley, Jacob, Be:FDDDEC., 1463, 1479
Bentl(e)y, James (Jas.), 1041-2, 1555, 1625, 1631-2, 1643, 1645, 1663, 1680, 1682, 1686-7, 1695, 1710, 1864, 1866
Bentley, James (Sr.), 1643, 1864
Bentley, James, Be:FDDFGHB.

Bentl(e)y, James, Be:E, WILLIAM'S brother, 1046, 1632
Bentley, James, Be:FBK.
Bentley, James, Be:FBLDM.
Bentley, James, Be:FC., 1113, 1221, 1536
Bentley, James, Be:FDDDEBD.
Bentley, James, Be:FDDFHDA., 1522
Bentley, James Allen, Be:FEEBAFDBCA.
Bentley, James Calvin, Be:FDDACEHCC., **1256-1270**, 1290, 1312-13, 1324, 1670-1
Bentley, James Donald, Be:FDDACFJC.
Bentley, James G., Be:FDDFMC.
Bentley, James Gardner, Be:FDDFBCB.
Bentley, James Knowlton, Be:FDDABBC., 1245, **1249**, 1494
Bentley, James Knox, Be:FDCAICJF.
Bentley, James L., 1550-1
Bentley, James L., Be:FDDADF (revised), 1065, 1304, 1409
Bentley, James M., Be:FDDFMCD.
Bentley, James Ogilvie, Be:FDDACFI., 1283, 1286
Bentley, James Ogilvie, Be:FDDACFJAB.
Bentley, James Randall, Be:FDDABC., 1247, 1254
Bentley, James Samual, Be:FDDACFBG.
Bentley, James Scott, Be:FDDCEDCHAB.
Bentley, James Sharer, Be:FDDACEHCCA.
Bentley, Jams., 1686
Bentley, Jane, 1219, 1221, 1569, 1644, 1663
Bentl(e)y, Jane, Be:Fa., 1041, 1106, 1116, 1119, 1186, 1221, **1653-4**
Bentley, Jane, Be:FCa., 1221
Bentl(e)y, Jane, Be:FDa.
Bentley, Jane, Be:FDDACFf.
Bentley, Jane, Be:FDDDEBCb.
Bently, Jane L., 1700
Bentley, Jane M. (Mrs.), 1673
Bentley, Janet (-----), 1866
Bentley, Janie Blanche, Be:FBBHKEb.
Bentley, Janice Hope, Be:FDDCFJAHa.
Bentley, Jas., 1045
Bentley, Jasper, 1670-2
Bentley, Jasper, Be:FDCDDFA.
Bentley, Jeanette Grace, Be:FDDACEHCa.
Bentley, Jemima(h), 1541, 1644, 1646
Bentley, Jenette, 1700
Bentley, Jennifer Lorie, Be:FDDACEHCCBa.
Bentley, Jenny (?), Be:FBBHAa.
Bentley, Jeremiah (Jerh.), 1541, 1686
Bentley, Jerusha, Be:FDCDDA.
Bentley, Jesse, Be:FDDCEBEA.
Bentley, Jessee, Be:FBLDG.
Bentley, Jessie Maud, Be:FDDCEDAe.
Bentley, Jessie May, 1609
Bentley, Jessie May, Be:FDDAEIh.
Bentley, Jody Lee, Be:FDDCEDCJEc.

Bentley, Joe, Be:FDDFHCA.
Bentl(e)y, John (and "Jhn." or "Jn."), 1042, 1045, 1058, 1432-4, 1531, 1545, 1566-7, 1631-2, 1636, 1645, 1673, 1686-7, 1695-6, 1698, 1714-5, 1863, 1866
BENTLY, JOHN, Anc. XI.385., 1034, **1043-46**, 1067, 1105, **1631-2**, 1817
Bentley, "John" (?) (illegibly written for "Ira"), 1442-3 f.n.
Bentl(e)y, John, Be:C., WILLIAM'S brother, 1046, 1632
Bentley, John, Be:FBA.
Bentley, John, Be:FBBA.
Bentley, John, Be:FBDED.
Bentley, John, Be:FBDH.
Bentley, John, Be:FBLDGL.
Bentley, John, Be:FDCAA., 1863 (addendum)
Bentley, John, Be:FDCAICP.
Bentley, John, Be:FDCDE.
Bentley, John, Be:FDDDFBG.
Bentely, John, Be:FDEC.
Bentley, John, Be:FEEBA.
Bentley, John, Be:FEEBAF.
Bentley, John A., Be:FDDFGJF.
Bentley, John Allen, Be:FDDCEDCJE.
Bentley, John Buzz, Be:FBDEAPG.
Bentley, John C., Be:FDDFBCC.
Bentley, John Earle, Be:FEEBAFDD., 1056, 1058
Bentley, John Earle (Jr.), Be:FEEBAFDDC.
Bentley, John Jenkins, Be:FDCAICJA.
Bentley, John L., Be:FDDADEDD.
Bentley, John O., 1701
Bentley, John Olcott, 1701
Bentley, John Otis, Be:FDCAAH?., **1864**
Bentley, John Pierce, Be:FBDEAPGD.
Bentley, John R., 1681
Bentley, John Reynolds, Be:FDDDEBBE.
Bentley, John S., Be:FDDACEF.
Bentley, John William, Be:FDDACEHCCBB.
Bentley, Jonathan, Be:FDDDEBB.
Bentley, Jonathan, Be:FDDDEBBCB.
Bentley, Jonathan (Jr.), 1701
Bentley, Jonathan (Mrs.), 1681
Bentley, Jonathan (Sr.), 1701
Bentley, Joseph, 1040, 1055, 1567, 1607-8, 1666, 1696
Bentley, Joseph, Be:FDCAI., 1228
Bentley, Joseph, Be:FDCAICL.
Bentley, Joseph, Be:FDCE.
Bentley, Joseph, Be:FDDB., Sp:ADhB., 1066, 1238, 1241, 1763
Bentley, Joseph, Be:FDDFK., 1489, 1494-5
Bentley, Joseph, of Queensbury, 1055, 1228
Bentley, Joseph, of Stephentown
Bentley, Joseph, of Westfield
Bently, Joseph Leander, 1641
Bentley, Joseph Rufus, Be:FDDCBBB.

Bentley, Joseph Warren, Be:FDCAICJB.
Bently, Joshua, 1567, 1717
Bentley, Joshua, 1717, 1720-1
Bentley, Josiah, 1670
Bentley, Julia, 1646, 1672
Bentley, Julia, Be:FDDAD?.
Bentley, Julia Loiuisa, Be:FDCAICJe.
Bentley, Julie Ann., Be:FDDCFJACAa.
Bentley, Juliet, Be:FDCAICn.
Bentley, Karl Dwight, Be:FDDCEDCJCA.
Bentley, Kate, Be:FDDFMCf.
Bentley, Kate E., Be:FDCDDFAb.
Bentley, Kate M., 1701
Bentley, Kate Winnifred, Be:FDDCEDAd.
Bentley, Kathy, Be:FDDCEDCICb.
Bentley, Keith, Be:FDDCGECBCD.
Bentley, Kenneth Harrison, Be:FBDEAPGE.
Bentley, Kendall Leroy, Be:FBDEAPGCA.
Bentley, Kirk Andrew, Be:FDDACEHCCAD.
Bentley, L. G., Be:FDDCBFDA., 1336
Bentley, Lafayette, 1550-1
Bentl(e)y, Lafayette, Be:FDDADFB. (revised class.), 1064, 1309, 1409
Bentley, Larry, Be:FDDCEDCIAC.
Bentley, Laura, Be:FDDCBg.
Bentley, Laurence, Be:FDDAEGF.
Bentley, Laurie Bertie, Be:FDDAEGAe.
Bentley, Lavina, Be:FDDACFa.
Bentley, Lawrence, 1625
Bentley, Layna Beth, Be:FBDEAPGCe.
Bently, Leaeh (Spencer) or Leah, 1040, 1652
Bentl(e)y, Leah (-----), 1039-1041, 1285
Bently, Leah, 1285
Bentley, Leah (Spencer), 1285
Bentley, Leila W., Be:FDDDEBBEa.
Bentley, Lelia, Be:DFGJd.
Bentley, Lena, Be:FDDDEBBBa.
Bentley, Leola Gertrude, Be:FDDCBFABb.
Bentley, Leona Edith, Be:FBDEAPGg.
Bentley, Leonard Maxwell, Be:FDDACFGAC.
Bentley, Leonard Miles, Be:FDDDEBF.
Bentley, Leora Evalyn, Be:FDDACFGCb.
Bentley, Leta, Be:FDDCFIb.
Bentley, Lettis (-----), 1668
Bentley, Lewis, 1309, 1682
Bentley, Lewis, Be:FDDADEA., 1304-5, 1309
Bentley, Lewis James, Be:FDDACFIE.
Bentley, Lidia (see Lydia)
Bentley, Lillian, 1571, 1682
Bentley, Lillie, Be:FDDDEBBBc.
Bentley, Lisa Ann, Be:FDDACEHCCAb.

Bentley, Livingston, Be:FBBHAGAF.
Bentley, Lizzie, Be:FDDFGJe.
Bentley, Lodema, Be:FDDFGk.
Bentley, Loma, Be:FDDFHFAb.
Bentley, Loren G., 1590
Bentley, Lorenzo, 1718
Bentley, Loretta, Be:FBLDGk.
Bentley, Lorne, Be:FDDDEBBCA.
Bentley, Louisa, 1698-9
Bentley, Louisa, Be:FDDADCb.
Bentley, Louisa, Be:FDDCGb.
Bentley, Louisa, Be:FDDDFBd.
Bentley, Louisa Ann, 1696
Bentley, Louise M., 1299
Bentley, Lucie Freeman, Be:FDDAEGAAc.
Bentley, Lucille Adele, Be:FDDAEGAc.
Bentley, Lucinda, 1646, 1698
Bentley, Lucinda, Be:FDDADEi.
Bentley, Lucinda A., Be:FDDADAb.
Bentley, Lucretia, Be:FDDCBc.
Bentley, Lucretia Maria (Flower), 1570
Bentley, Luc(e)y, 1583, 1663
Bentley, Lucy, Be:FBDEAg.
Bentley, Lucy Adele, Be:FDDAEGc.
Bentley, Lura Myrtilla, Be:FBDEAPb.
Bentley, Luther, 1673
Bently, Luther, Be:FDDDABAC.
Bentley, Lydia, 1669
Bentley, Lydia (Arnold), 1665
Bentley, Lydia, Be:FDDDEa., 1452
Bentley, Lydia A., Be:FDDFGg.
Bentley, Lyman, 1674
Bentley, Lyman Henry, Be:FDDCEAC.
Bentley, Mabel Clare, Be:FDDFMDc.
Bentley, Mabel O., 1609
Bentley, Mabel Rose, Be:FDDACFGd.
Bentley, Mabel T., Be:FDDDFBCa.
Bentley, Mahlon, Be:FDDFGD.
Bentley, Manda, 1309
Bentley, Manda (?) (-----), 1309
Bentley, Maranda, 1699
Bentley, Marcella, Be:FDDCEDCJg.
Bentley, Marg(a)ret, 1044, 1272, 1541, 1631-2, 1698, 1866
Bentley, Margaret (-----), 1672, 1698, 1715
Bentley, Margaret, Be:FDCDa.
Bentley, Margaret Elizabeth, Be:FDDACFJBa.; Be:FDDFBCe.; Be:FDDFBCBa.
Bentley, Margaret LaBar, Be:FDDABBCa.
Bentley, Margaret Tinbrook, Be:FDDCGf.
Bentley, Margery Diana. Be:FDDCFJAHb.
Bentley, Margret, Be:FDDDFAe.

Bentley, Maria, 1043, 1283, 1684
Bentley, Maria, Be:FDDACFc., 1064, 1271, 1328
Bentley, Maria, Be:FDDADCa., 1043, 1283, 1861
Bentley, Maria Hannah, Be:FDDACFBf., 1494
Bentley, Maria Louise, Be:FBDEBb.
Bentley, Mariah, Be:FBLDHb.
Bentley, Marietta, Be:FBDEAr.
Bentley, Marion, Be:FBLDLb.
Bentley, Marion P., Be:FDDCBFb.
Bentley, Marshall Kaye, Be:FBDEAPGCD.
Bentl(e)y, Martha, 1582, 1672, 1682, 1700
Bentl(e)y, Martha, (-----), 1673
Bentley, Martha, Be:FBDEAh.
Bentley, Martha, Be:FDDADFa.
Bentley, Martha, Be:FDDDEBe.
Bentley, Martha Alice, Be:FDDACEHCCc.
Bentley, Martha Amelia, Be:FDDAEIc.
Bentley, Martha Hartwell, Be:FBBHAGAEb.
Bentley, Martha Louisa, Be:FDDFJa.
Bentley, Martha Tibbetts, Be:FDDAEd.
Bentley, Martin, Be:FDDCEDCJH.
Bentley, Martin O., 1699
Bentley, Martinas, 1640
Bentley, Martinas, Be:FDDDABB., Sp:ADhDABB., 1640
Bentley, Mary, 1044-5, 1531, 1541, 1606, 1631-2, 1642, 1644, 1652, 1680, 1682, 1698, 1866
Bentl(e)y, Mary (-----), 1040, 1106, 1434, 1462-4, 1662, 1680, 1866
Bentl(e)y, Mary, Be:b., WILLIAM'S sister, 1046, 1632
Bentley, Mary, Be:FBBb.
Bentley, Mary, Be:FBBg.
Bentley, Mary, Be:FBBHh.
Bentley, Mary, Be:FBDi.
Bentley, Mary, Be:FBh.
Bentley, Mary, Be:FBLDEb.
Bentley, Mary, Be:FDb.
Bentley, Mary, Be:FDCDDFc.
Bentley, Mary, Be:FDDDAa., Sp:ADhDAa.
Bentley, Mary, Be:FDDDABc., Sp:ADhDABc.
Bentley, Mary, Be:FDDDFc.
Bentley, Mary, Be:FDDFHb.
Bentley, Mary, Be:FDEa.
Bentley, Mary A. (-----) (Beswick?), 1866
Bentley, Mary A., 1698, 1700
Bentley, Mary A., Be:FBDEBh.
Bentley, Mary A., Be:FDDDFAa.
Bentley, Mary Amelia, Be:FDDCEGa.
Bentley, Mary Ann, 1695
Bentley, Mary Ann, Be:FBLDHk.
Bentley, Mary Ann, Be:FBLDi.
Bentley, Mary Ann, Be:FDDCGa.

Bentley, Mary Birdena, Be:FBDEAOAb.
Bentley, Mary Celestia, Be:FDDFJb.
Bentley, Mary Clarissa, Be:FDDCEAa., 1389
Bentley, Mary Culley, 1695
Bentley, Mary Elizabeth, 1570, 1682, 1696
Bentley, Mary Elizabeth, Be:FDDAEIe.
Bentley, Mary Jane, Be:FBLDGf.
Bentley, Mary Jane, Be:FDDCEDe.
Bentley, Mary Jeanette, Be:FDDDEBFa.
Bentley, Mary Jenett, Be:FDDFMb.
Bentley, Mary Jenette, Be:FDDFMDa.
Bentley, Mary Lillian, 1681
Bentley, Mary Lillian, Be:FDDDEBBCc.
Benntley, Mary N., 1703
Bentley, Matilda, Be:FDDADEh.
Bentley, Maud, Be:FDDFGBBc.
Bentley, Maude M., 1701
Bentley, Maude **Pearl**, Be:FDDFHDf.
Bentley, Maury, D., 1699
Bentley, Max Ray, BE:FDDCFJACAB.
Bentley, May (Mary)
Bentley, May Elizabeth, Be:FDDCEACb.
Bentley, Melancton, Be:FBBHk.
Bentley, Melinda, 1433-4, 1486
Bentley, Melinda, Be:FBLDLa.
Bentley, Melissa Ann, Be:FDDCEDCHAd.
Bentley, Meranda, 1698
Bentley, Merc(e)y, 1680, 1682, 1718
Bentley, Mercy, Be:FBLDj.
Bentley, Mercy, Be:FDDCc.
Bently, Meriah, 1700
BENTLY (BENTLEY), MERUM (MIRON), 1408, 1555
Bentley, Michael James, 1681
Bentley, Michael James, Be:FDDDEBBB.
Bentley, Michele, Be:FDDCEDCICa.
Bentley, Michele Lynn, Be:FDDCEDCJCb.
Bentley, Mike, Be:FDDFHFCD.
Bentley, Mildred Morine, 1681
Bentley, Mildred Morine, Be:FDDDEBBEb.
Bentley, Millicent Ann, Be:FDDCGECBb.
Bentley, Minerva, Be:FBBHAj.; also Mrs. M., 1622
Bentley, Minerva, Be:FDDADEDc.
Bentley, Minnie, Be:FBBHKg.
Bentley, Minnie, Be:FDDFGJk.
Bentley, Minnie Irene, Be:FDDCBFABe.
Bentley, Miranda, 1698
Bentley, Miranda, Be:FDDDFBb.
Bentley, Miranda, Be:FDDDFe.
Bently, Miren, 1641
Bentley, Miriam R., 1642

BENTLY, MIRON, V.7., Be:FDDDAB., Sp:ADhDAB., 1034-8, 1065, 1408-9, 1550-1, 1741, 1815, 1875
Bentley, Miron, Be:FDCAICJC.
Bentley, Miron, Be:FDDDABAA.
BENTLEY, MIRUN (MIRON), BE:FDDDAB., 1038, 1065, **1408-9**
Bentley, Monroe, Be:FDDADFC.
Bentley, Monta, Be:FDDFHFC.
Bentley, Morrison, 1640-1
Bentley, "Morrison," 1640-1
Bentley, Moses Delos, Be:FDDCBFA.
Bentley, Murray J., Be:FDCAICJD.
Bentley, Myron, Be:FBDEAJC.
Bentley, Myrtle Lane, Be:FDDFHFd.
Bentley, N. (Rev.), 1703
Bentley, Nancy, 1703
Bentley, Nancy, Be:FBDEBf.
Bentley, Nancy, Be:FDDACFd., 1285-6
Bentley, Nancy (Northrup or Northup)
Bentley, Nancy Ann, Be:FBDEAq.
Bentley, Nathan, 1039, 1243-7, 1550-1, 1567, 1642
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Shippee, Guelma J., Sp:AGFALg.
Shippee, Hannah, Sp:ADCDc.
Shippee, Hannah, Sp:AGFAc.
Shippee, Henry C., Sp:AGFALDG.
Shippee, Harry, Sp:AFD.
Shippee, Homer C., Sp:AGFALF.
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Shippee, Lodowick Updike, Sp:ADCDF.
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Shippee, Mary Lestina, Sp:AGFALe.
Shippee, Massea, Sp:AGFAj.
Shippee, Mehitable, Sp:AGe.
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Shippee, Rodella E., Sp:AGFALDd.
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Shippee, Rosella A., Sp:AGFALDc.
Shippee, Rufus, Sp:ADCE?.
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Shippee, Silas H., Sp:AGFALD.
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Shippee, Welthian, Sp:ADCDAF.
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